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Editor's Note

The past few months were pretty crazy. We went to two conventions and one event in the last three months. At the end of April, there was WonderCon Anaheim. I met up with some old friends and met quite a few people in the industry. It's always good to network with people. Just a month ago was the Long Beach Comic Convention. It had a very relaxed atmosphere and fun. In between the two conventions was an event at Frank and Son's Collectables Show in City of Industry, Ca., where Stan Lee showed up to sign autographs. One bummer thing—we didn't go to FanimeCon.

Starting last month also marked the unofficial beginning of the summer movie season. It started off with a bang with *Iron Man 3*, *Star Trek: Into Darkness*, *Man of Steel* and *After Earth*. Soon to come after this publication will be *Pacific Rim*, *World War Z*, *Elysium*, *Kick-Ass 2* and *Riddick* to name a few genre-related noteworthy movies.

Lastly, I dedicate this issue in loving memory of my childhood friend, Geraline Draguin.

- Ed Gomez

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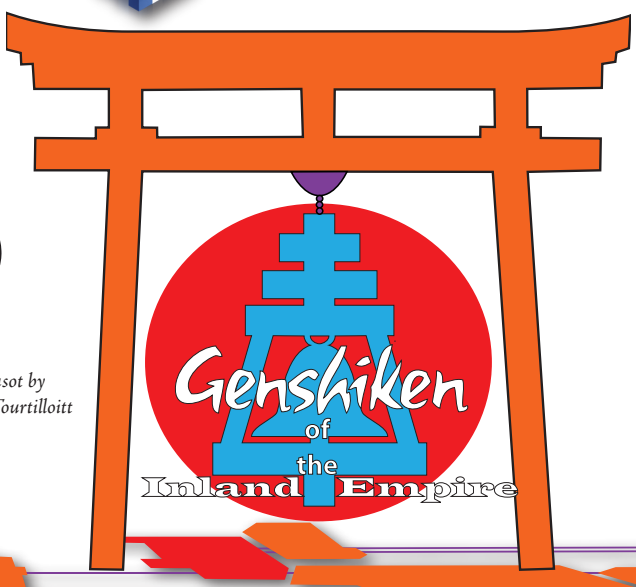

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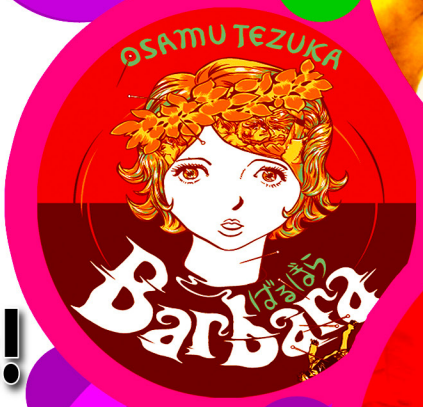

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McAllen Convention Center

www.omnicononline.com /omniconconvention

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Summer 2013

PortConMaine
June 20-23
DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel
South Portland, ME
www.portconmaine.com

Ancient City Con
June 21-23
Hyatt Regency Jacksonville Riverfront
Jacksonville, FL
www.ancientcitycon.com

Anime Blues Con
June 21-23
Hilton Memphis
Memphis, TN
www.animeblues.com

SoDak Anime Convention
June 21-23
Rushmore Plaza Civic Center
Rapid City, SD
www.sdcon.org

Mighty Con 2013
June 21-23
MegaCenter, St. Charles, IL
www.mightycon.com

Medicine Hat Fan Round Up
June 22
Medicine Hat College
Medicine Hat, Alberta
www.mhfanroundup.com

JAFAX
June 22-23
Grand Valley State University
Allendale, MI
www.jafax.org

BotCon
June 27-29
Town and Country Hotel and Convention Center
San Diego, CA
www.botcon.com/BotCon2013/

Cosplacon
June 27-30
Truman Hotel & Conference Center
Jefferson City, MO
www.cosplacon.square-space.com

Animaritime
June 28-30
Fredericton Convention Centre, Fredericton, New Brunswick
www.animaritime.org

Anime Evolution
June 28-30
University of British Columbia
Vancouver, British Columbia
www.animeevolution.com

AniMinneapolis
June 28-30
DoubleTree by Hilton Bloomington Minneapolis South
Bloomington, MN
www.animinneapolis.com

Hetalia Con!
June 28-30
Wyndham Indianapolis West
Indianapolis, IN
www.hetaliacon.weebly.com

Hoshicon
June 28-30
Winston-Salem Marriott
Winston-Salem, NC
www.hoshicon.org

Q-Con
June 28-30
Queen's University Belfast
Belfast, NI UK
www.q-con.org.uk

Seishun-Con
June 28-30
Hilton Atlanta Marietta Hotel & Conference Center, Atlanta, GA
www.seishun-con.com

Chibi-Pa Sampler
June 29
Doubletree by Hilton
Deerfield Beach
Deerfield Beach, FL
www.chibipa.com/home.php

BayouCon
June 29-30
Chateau de Calcasieu
Lake Charles, LA
www.bayoucon.net

Creation: Star Trek 2013
June 29-30
Gaylord Opryland Hotel
Nashville, TN
www.creationent.com/calendar.htm#sttn

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Summer 2013 *Continued*

Senshi Matsuri
June 30
Chelsea Studios, New York, NY
www.senshimatsuri.com

Japan Expo
July 4-8
Paris-Nord Villepinte, Paris, France
www.japan-expo.com

Anime Expo
July 4-7
Los Angeles Convention Center
Los Angeles, CA
www.anime-expo.org

Florida Supercon
July 4-7
Miami Airport Convention Center
Miami, FL
www.floridasupercon.com

Westercon
July 4-7
Hilton Arden West,
Sacramento, CA
www.westercon66.org

Anime Midwest
July 5-7
Hyatt Regency O'Hare
Rosemont, IL
www.animemidwest.com

Anime Overload
July 5-7
Holiday Inn Austin Midtown
Austin, TX
www.animeoverload.net

ArcadeCon
July 5-7
D4 Hotels Ballsbridge Inn
& Towers
Dublin, Ireland
www.arcadecon.ie/2013/

London Film and Comic Con
July 5-7
Earls Court 2
London, UK
www.londonfilmandcomiccon.com

Oz Comic-Con: Melbourne
July 6-7
Royal Exhibition Building
Melbourne, VIC Australia
www.ozcomiccon.com

Ai-Kon
July 12-14
Winnipeg Convention Centre
Winnipeg, Manitoba
www.ai-kon.org

Anime Festival Wichita
July 12-14
Hyatt Regency Wichita
Wichita, KS
www.afwcon.org

Anime SouthEast
July 12-14
Sevierville Events Center
Sevierville, TN
www.animesoutheast.com

BroCon
July 12-14
University of Limerick
Limerick, Ireland
www.brocon.info

ConnectiCon
July 12-14
Connecticut Convention Center
Hartford, CT
www.connecticon.org

Delta H Con
July 12-14
Crowne Plaza Houston
Northwest Brookhollow
Houston, TX
www.deltahcon.com

Ikasucon
July 12-14
Grand Wayne Convention Center
Fort Wayne, IN
www.ikasucon.org

Eclectic Affair
July 12-14
Urbana Landmark Hotel
Urbana, IL
www.eclecticaffair.com

NatsuCon
July 12-14
Gateway Center
Collinsville, IL
www.natsucon.org

NemaCon
July 13
Middlesbrough Town Hall
Middlesbrough, UK
www.nemacon.com

ReAdCon
July 13
Reading University Students
Union, Berkshire, Reading, UK
www.readingunianime.webs.com/readcon

Comic-Con International: San Diego
July 18-21
San Diego Convention Center
San Diego, CA
www.comic-con.org/cci/

SukoshiCon: Pokécon
July 19-21
Crowne Plaza Airport Expo
Center, Louisville, KY
www.sukoshicon.com/pokecon/

WausaubiCon
July 19-21
Best Western-Midway Hotel and Hoffman House Restaurant
Wausau, WI
www.wausaubicon.com

Manchester MCM Expo
July 20
Manchester Central
Manchester, UK
www.mcmcomiccon.com/manchester/

Nashville Anime Day
July 20
Clarion Inn & Suites
Murfreesboro, TN
www.nashville.animeday.net

Atsusacon
July 20-21
Antwerp Expo, Antwerp, Belgium
www.atsusacon.be/nl/home

KuroNeko Con
July 20-21
Spokane Convention Center
Spokane, WA
www.kuronekocon.com

London Anime Con
July 20-21
London Metropolitan University, The Rocket Complex
London, UK
www.londonanimecon.com

PulpFest
July 25-28
Hyatt Regency
Columbus, OH
www.pulpfest.com

Omnicon
July 26-27
McAllen Convention Center
McAllen, TX
www.omnicononline.com

AnimeIowa
July 26-28
Coralville Marriott Hotel & Conference Center
Coralville, IA
www.animeiowa.com

ConBravo!
July 26-28
Hamilton Convention Centre
Hamilton, Ontario
www.conbravo.com

Hyper Japan
July 26-28
Earls Court Two, London, UK
www.hyperjapan.co.uk

Metrocon
July 26-28
Tampa Convention Center
Tampa, FL
www.metroconventions.com

Ryu-Con
July 26-28
The Conference & Event Center Niagara Falls
Niagra Falls, NY
www.ryu-kon.com

TFcon
July 26-28
Delta Meadowvale Resort and Conference Centre
Mississauga, Ontario
www.tfcon.ca

FaerieWorlds
July 26-28
Inner Circle Camping,
Eugene, OR
www.faerieworlds.com

Kintoki-Con
July 27-28
Holiday Inn Sacramento - Capitol Plaza, Sacramento, CA
www.kintoki-con.com

Star Fleet International Conference
August 1-4
MCM Elegante Hotel
Dallas, TX
www.ic2013.com

Daycon Clarksville
August 2-3
The Riverview Inn
Clarksville, TN
www.dayconclarksville.com

Anime Festival Orlando
August 2-4
Wyndham Orlando Resort
Orlando, FL
www.animefestivalorlando.com

Atomic Lollipop
August 2-4
Japanese Canadian Cultural Center, Toronto, Ontario
www.atomiclollipop.com

Fandemonium
August 2-4
Nampa Civic Center
Nampa, ID
www.fandemonium.org/www2/

Go!Daiko-Con
August 2-4
Auburn Hills Marriott Pontiac at Centerpoint, Pontiac, MI
www.godaikocon.com

Harbour Con-Fusion
August 2-4
Saint John High School
Saint John, New Brunswick
www.harbourconfusion.com

Tokyo in Tulsa
August 2-4
Tulsa Convention Center
Tulsa, OK
www.tokyointulsa.com

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Space City Con
August 2-4
Houston Marriott Westchase
Houston, TX
www.spacecitycon.com

Tokonatsu
August 2-5
Ampthill & Woburn District
Scout Ground
Milton Bryan, UK
www.tokonatsu.org.uk

AniBash
August 3-4
Seneca Park
Rochester, NY
www.anibash.webs.com

Kitsucon
August 3-4
López Mateos Sur 610
Guadalajara, JAL Mexico
www.kitsucon.com

Jacksonville Anime Day
August 4
Embassy Suites Jacksonville - Baymeadows
Jacksonville, FL
www.jacksonville.animeday.net

Animethon
August 9-11
MacEwan University
Edmonton, Alberta
www.animethon.org

Auto Assembly
August 9-11
Hilton Birmingham Metropole Hotel
Birmingham, UK
www.autoassembly.org.uk

Cos & Effect
August 9-11
University of British Columbia
Vancouver, British Columbia
www.coseffect.com

Kin-Yoobi Con
August 9-11
Newark/Fremont
Hilton Hotel
Newark, CA
www.iie540.wix.com/kinyoobicon

Otakon
August 9-11
Baltimore Convention Center
Baltimore, MD
www.otakon.com

When Words Collide
August 9-11
The Carriage House Inn
Calgary, Alberta, Canada
www.whenwordscollide.org

Comiket Comic Market
August 10-12
Tokyo Big Sight
Tokyo, Japan
www.comiket.co.jp

SMASH! Sydney Manga and Anime Show
August 10
Sydney Convention Centre
Sydney, NSW Australia
www.smash.org.au

Anime Revolution
August 16-18
Vancouver Convention Centre
Vancouver, British Columbia
www.animerevolution.ca

AyaCon
August 16-18
Warwick Arts Centre
Coventry, UK
www.ayacon.org.uk

Manifest
August 16-18
Melbourne Showgrounds
Melbourne, VIC Australia
www.manifest.org.au

Motaku
August 16-18
Holiday Inn Kansas City SE / CoCo Key Water Resort
Kansas City, MO
www.motaku.org

Otakuthon
August 16-18
Palais des congrès de Montréal
Montréal, Quebec
www.otakuthon.com

San Japan
August 16-18
Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center / San Antonio Grand Hyatt Hotel
San Antonio, TX
www.san-japan.org

Ani-Jam
August 17-18
Fresno Convention Center
Fresno, CA
www.ani-jam.com

Pensacola Para Con
August 17-18
Pensacola Fair Grounds
Pensacola, FL
www.pensacolaparacon.com

FanExpo Canada
August 22-25
Metro Toronto Convention Centre, Toronto, Ontario
www.fanexpocanada.com

AM2
August 23-25
Anaheim Convention Center
Anaheim, CA
www.am2con.org

Geek.Kon
August 23-25
Madison Marriott West
Madison, WI
www.geekkon.net

Intervention
August 23-25
Hilton Washington DC/Rockville Hotel & Executive Meeting Ctr
Rockville, MD
www.interventioncon.com

Japan Expo USA
August 23-25
Santa Clara Convention Center
Santa Clara, CA
www.japan-expo.org

MatsuriCon
August 23-25
Hyatt Regency Columbus
Columbus, OH
www.matsuricon.org

MechaCon
August 23-25
Hilton New Orleans Riverside
New Orleans, LA
www.mechacon.com

Mythicon
August 23-25
DoubleTree by Hilton Orlando at SeaWorld, Orlando, FL
www.mythicconventions.com/control.cfm

SaikouCon
August 23-25
Holiday Inn Conference Center Lehigh Valley, Breinigsville, PA
www.saikoucon.com

ONECon
August 24-25
Middlesbrough Teaching and Learning Centre (MTLC)
Middlesbrough, UK
www.onecon.co.uk/www.onecon.co.uk/ONECon___Home.html

Chiisaicon
August 30 - September 1
Paroquet Springs Conference Centre
Shepherdsville, KY
www.chiisaicon.com

Meta Con
August 30 - September 1
Hyatt Regency Minneapolis
Minneapolis, MN
www.metaconvention.com

Sac-Anime
August 30 - September 1
Sacramento Convention Center
Sacramento, CA
www.sacconventions.com

Sogen Con
August 30 - September 1
Sioux Falls Convention Center
Sioux Falls, SD
www.sogencon.org

AnimeFest
August 30 - September 2
Sheraton Dallas Downtown Hotel, Dallas, TX
https://www.animefest.org

Dragon*Con
August 30 - September 2
Atlanta Marriott Marquis, Hyatt Regency Atlanta, Atlanta Hilton, Sheraton Atlanta, Westin Peachtree Plaza
Atlanta, GA
www.dragoncon.org

CamCon
August 31
The Junction
Cambridge, UK
www.thecamcon.com

Kumoricon
August 31 - September 2
Hilton Vancouver Washington/ Red Lion Vancouver at the Quay
Vancouver, WA
https://www.kumoricon.org

Saboten-Con
August 31 - September 2
Renaissance Glendale
Glendale, AZ
www.sabotencon.com

Alcon
September 5-8
De Montfort University
Leicester, UK
www.alcon.org.uk

Kentokyocon
September 6-8
Clarion Hotel Lexington
Lexington, KY
www.bluegrassotaku.org

Kishi Con
September 6-8
Palm Aire Hotel and Suites Weslaco TX Hotel
Weslaco, TX
www.kishicon.com

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UmiCon Daytona
September 6-8
The Plaza Resort & Spa
Daytona Beach, FL
www.umicondaytona.com

Scotland MCM Expo
September 7
Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre
Glasgow, UK
www.mcmcomiccon.com/scotland/

Northern Michigan Anime Convention
September 7-8
Park Place Hotel
Traverse City, MI
www.nmacon.com

Anime USA
September 13-15
Washington Marriott Wardman Park, Washington, DC
www.animeusa.org

Nan Desu Kan
September 13-15
Marriott Denver Tech Center
Denver, CO
www.ndkdenver.org

Nauticon
September 13-15
Provincetown Inn
Provincetown, MA
www.nauticons.com

CGA Show Nature Coast
September 14
US Army National Guard Armory
Crystal River, FL
www.naturecoast.cgashows.com/home.php

Mississippi Anime Invasion
September 14-15
Oxford Conference Center
Oxford, MS
www.mai-con.net

J-Con
September 20-21
The Riverside Centre, Derby, UK
www.j-con.co.uk

Aoi Uma Con
September 20-22
Ramada Plaza Louisville Hotel and Conference Center
Louisville, KY
www.aoiumacon.com

CampAnime
September 20-22
Camp Woodstock
Woodstock Valley, CT
www.campanime.com

Ramencon
September 20-22
Radisson Hotel at Star Plaza
Merrillville, IN
www.ramencon.com

Creation Supernatural Convention
September 20-22
Westin Park Central Hotel
Dallas, TX
www.creationent.com/cal/supernatural_dallas.htm

Animeland Otaku Mex
September 20-23
Crowne Plaza Albuquerque
Albuquerque, NM
www.animelandotakumex.com

Anime Weekend Atlanta
September 27-29
Renaissance Waverly Hotel & Cobb Galleria Centre
Atlanta, GA
www.awa-con.com

Senshi-Con
September 28-29
William A. Egan Civic & Convention Center
Anchorage, AK
www.senshicon.net

Sac-Con
September 29
Scottish Rite Center
Sacramento, CA
www.sac-con.com

Realms Con
October 4-6
AmericanBank Center
Corpus Christi, TX
www.realmscon.com/wordpress/

ShadoCon
October 4-6
Grand Hyatt Tampa
Tampa, FL
www.shadocon.com

Tomodachi Fest
October 4-6
Boise Hotel and Conference Center, Boise, ID
www.tomodachifest.com

Kraken Con
October 5
South San Francisco Conference Center
South San Francisco, CA
www.krakencon.com

Portland Retro Game Expo
October 5-6
Oregon Convention Center
Portland, OR
www.retrogamingexpo.com

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Steam Powered GIRAFFE

This month I would like to introduce a local San Diego-based steampunk band/pantamime troupe called, Steam Powered Giraffe (SPG). I actually didn't know this group existed until I was looking for a steampunk novel and the person helping me find the book said, "Hey have you heard of Steam Powered Giraffe? You should look them up on YouTube. They're really good."

Background art by FlameRaven1

I can vouche for this suggestion. I went home and looked up Steam Powered Giraffe on YouTube and found one of their singles called "Honeybee." They're an amazing group, full of energy and laughs.

Steam Powered Giraffe is a musical project formed in San Diego in 2008 that is popular in the steampunk subculture. The act combines the visual of robot pantomime with sketches, pop culture references, improvised comedic dialogue and original music.

The [current] members of Steam Powered Giraffe— David Michael Bennett, Bunny Bennett and Sam Luke—met while taking Theatre Arts at Grossmont College. Afterwards they became members of local San Diego mime group Troupe SD. Trained in pantomime by Seaport Village mime Jerry "Kazoo" Hager, and with collective backgrounds in clown, theater, music, and visual design, Jon Sprague and the Bennett twins, Bunny and David, started street busking as quirky robotic characters (then known as Peoplebots) in January 2008 at Balboa Park, California, along with fellow mime artist Erin "Upgrade" Burke, who left the group in 2011.

Hatchworth
(Sam Luke)

Since their inception, the band has performed at popular Southern California venues including The San Diego County Fair, The San Diego Zoo, The Wild Animal Park, Legoland California, Ontario Mills, The Queen Bee's Art & Cultural Center and at numerous Sci-Fi, Fantasy and Steampunk Conventions.

In October 2009, the band released their first album, *Album One*. It contained the previously released single from May 2009 titled "On Top of the Universe." In early 2011 the band released a single, "Honeybee," announcing that it would be on an upcoming second album. In late 2011, the band announced the release of an interim "live" album entitled *Live at the Globe of Yesterday's Tomorrow*. Their second studio album, entitled *The 2¢ Show*, was released in May 2012. Their music can also often be heard on a number of steampunk radio broadcasts that stream worldwide, such as The Clockwork Cabaret. The band's song "Electricity Is In My Soul" is available on the Rock Band Network.

On October 30, 2011, the band was mentioned by name in the comic strip *Luann*. The strip showed the title character and two of her friends dressed in steampunk attire, going out to attend a SPG concert. The title frame, which didn't appear in the online version but only in print, showed a giraffe's head and neck with steam escaping its ears and nostrils.

In 2012, they were voted Best Live Comedy act (and runner up for Best Family Entertainment act) on San Diego A-List.

Besides their musical endeavors, the band publishes a web comic and has produced a card game based on characters in their backstory. In 2012 they released a DVD entitled, *Steam Powered Giraffe: The DVD (and the Quest For the Eternal Harp of Golden Dreams)*.

On September 24, 2012, the band announced on their Tumblr that Jon Sprague was leaving/let go from the group. On October 1st, it was announced that the drummer for the band, Sam Luke, would become the latest robot in the band, "Hatchworth." †

Rabbit
(Bunny Bennett)

When Steam Powered Giraffe grew in popularity, David Michael Bennett (The Spine) released a fansite called the Cavalcadium (the-cavalcadium.com). The website features more in-depth lore of the Steam Powered Giraffe universe, an area to help promote the band, and a fan forum.

They also have their main website where you can purchase things, keep up with their tour dates, appearances, and so on at steampowerdgiraffe.com.

If you feel like catching up with Rabbit, Spine, and Hatchworth they have almost daily videos on their youtube channel called the steam powered giraffe hour. I personally love their music and theme. It encourages me to keep up with the steampunk theme when reading and helps keep my mind at ease. So if you're in the area and looking for a new band to listen to, I say give them a try :). ❖ Hinata Kazu Aoi

The Spine
(David Michael Bennett)

† wikipedia.com, steampoweredgiraffe.com
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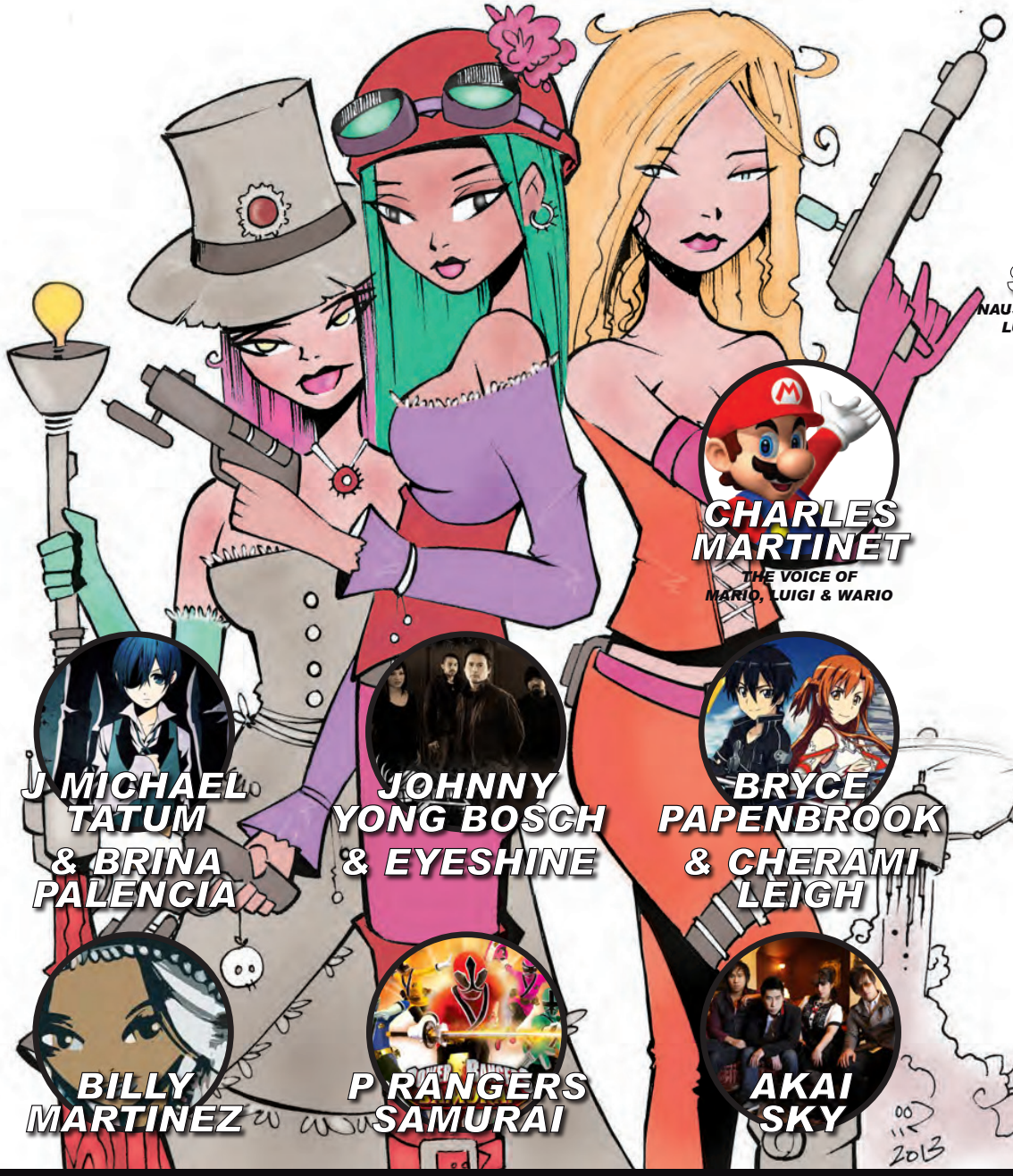

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獣電戦隊キョウリュウジャー

It's Hero Time and Batteries Are Included

This year's Super Sentai is now protecting all of humanity with the aid of dinosaur spirits. The 37th Super Sentai group is called *Zyuden Sentai Kyoryuger* and they are "the strongest braves in history." The English translation for its title is *Electrobeast Squadron Dinosaur Rangers* and is the third dinosaur team.

During the age of when dinosaurs ruled the world, an alien force called "The Deboss Legion" invaded the Earth. The only ones to stand against Deboss and its minions were the "Zyudenryu," dinosaurs who were given special powers to combat the Deboss Army and Torin, a humanoid-bird who was responsible for protecting the earth and giving the dinosaurs the power to become Zyudenryu. After a long and grueling war, Deboss and its army were defeated and imprisoned in ice. Torin and the Zyudenryus went into hiding and watched over the earth just in case Deboss and its army were to become free from their icy prison.

Fast forward to the year 2013, the "Deboss Legion" has come out from their ice prison. The priest with many faces, Chaos, has thawed out the other generals from ice: Aigaroo the General of Sorrow, Candelira the General of Happiness, Lakkiero the General of Joy and Dogold the General of Anger. In order to revive their master, Deboss, they need to collect large amounts of emotions (sadness, happiness, and anger) from humans.

Torin senses the return of the Deboss Legion and goes out to search for five humans suitable to control the power of the Zyudenryu. These five humans chosen by the dinosaurs are:

- Daigo Kiryū also known as "King" the "Fanged Hero," Kyoryu Red
- Ian Yorkland, the "Hot Shot Hero," Kyoryu Black
- Nobuharu Udō, the "Armored Hero," Kyoryu Blue
- Sōji Rippūkan, the "Bladed Hero," Kyoryu Green
- Ami Yūzuki, the "Horned Heroine," Kyoryu Pink

Together with their Zyudenryu, to defend the earth from the Deboss Legion once again.

This series seems to be promising because of the appeal it has for children. It has come back to a light-hearted theme than the previous sentai series lately, with a song and dance ending theme that children can follow. The story will be entertaining and teach kids about growing up. This is going to be a fun series to watch for all Sentai fans out there. So be ready for a wild adventure and give *Kyoryuger* give it a try. ❖ Maxigirl Hess

Zyuden Sentai Kyoryuger
獣電戦隊キョウリュウジャー
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http://www.tv-asahi.co.jp/kyouryu/
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http://www.super-sentai.net/kyouryu/

Director: Sakamoto, Kōichi
Takemoto, Noboru
Konaka, Kazuya
Watanabe, Katsuya
Writer: Sanjō, Riku

Cast:
Kiryū, Daigo=Ryūsei, Ryō
Ian Yorkland=Saitō, Shūsuke
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Inu to Hasami wa Tsukaiyō (Dog & Scissors)

犬とハサミは使いよう

GONZO ✦ July 1 ✦ Tokyo MX

www.inuhasa.jp ✦ youtu.be/IqOB9d089_M

A nonsense comical mystery. Harumi Kazuhito is a high school boy who loves books and is a fan of novelist Natsuno Kirihime. One day, he finds Kirihime writing at a cafe, about to be shot by a robber. He protects her from the attack but is killed instead. Through the supernatural power of a book-worm, he is reincarnated as a dachshund dog. Kazuhito (as a dog) writhes in a painful bookless life, when a sadistic woman carrying a pair of scissors offers him help. She is Kirihime herself.

Recorder to Ransel Mi☆ (Recorder and Backpack Mi)

リコーダーとランドセル ミ☆

Seven ✦ July 1 ✦ AT-X

www.takeshobo.co.jp/sp/tv_rikoran_mi/

Atsushi Miyagawa is an 11-year-old boy. Since he is 180 cm (5.9') tall and has a grown-up looking build, he has always been running into troubles. On the other hand, his 17-year-old elder sister Atsumi is only 137 cm (4.5') tall and has a childish looking build. Atsumi takes good care of Atsushi, who acts his true age. Third season.

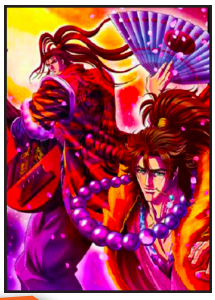
BROTHERS CONFLICT

ブラザーズ・コンフリクト

Brain's Base ✦ July 2 ✦ Tokyo MX

www.bc-anime.com

Ema Hinata is the only daughter of a famous adventurer, Rintarō Hinata One day, Ema learns that Rintarō is going to remarry with a successful apparel maker named Miwa Asahina. Since she doesn't want to disturb them, Ema decides to move out and live with her 11 new brothers in a mansion called Sunrise Residence. As they live under the same roof, romance is starting to grow between Ema and the Asahina brothers.



Gifū Dōdō!! Naoe Kanetsugu: Maeda Keiji Sakegatari

義風堂々!!直江兼続~前田慶次酒語り

Studio Deen ✦ July 2 ✦ TV Tokyo

www.gifuu.jp

Naoe Kanetsuku, the brilliant military general of the Uesugi family. Together with Maeda Keiji, a legendary warrior on the battlefield, who become lifelong friends with each other, they carve out a piece of history in the most dangerous and volatile time in Japan's history. The two men recall their beginnings and the journey they took to get to the accomplished position they now sit at.

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Anime Schedule 2013

Senyū. (Season 2)

戦勇. 2

Ordet / LIDEN FILMS ✦ July 2 ✦ TV Tokyo / Nico Nico Douga

www.senyu.tv ✦ youtu.be/a-5LtH5ZJ2c

Long ago, there lived an evil being who reigned over the world through fear, called Satan Rchimedes. He invaded the human world with his many demon underlings, spreading madness and chaos everywhere. One thousand years ago, this menace was sealed by the hero Creation and peace returned to the world. Second season.

Free!

フリー！

Kyoto Animation ✦ July 3 ✦ ABC / Tokyo MX

www.iwatobi-sc.com ✦ youtu.be/JNU1ehnCVP8

About a boy, Haruka Nanase, who has always loved to be immersed in water and to swim in it. Before graduating from elementary school, he participated in a swimming tournament along with his fellow swimming club members, Makoto Tachibana, Nagisa Hazuki and Rin Matsuoka. After achieving victory, each of the boys went their separate ways.

Tamayura ~More Aggressive~

たまゆら ～もあぐれっしぶ～

TYO Animations ✦ July 3 ✦ ATX

www.tamayura.info ✦ youtu.be/11ggjC3JDH4

Centers around a young girl named Fū Sawatari who moves to Takehara, Hiroshima to begin her first year of high school. Her late father grew up in Takehara and this is her first time back in the town in five years. Fū enjoys photography and is often engrossed with taking pictures with her father's old Rollei 35S film camera. Second season.

Danganronpa: Kibō no Gakuen to Zetsubō no Kōkōsei – The Animation

ダンガンロンパ 希望の学園と絶望の高校生 THE ANIMATION

Lerche ✦ July 4 ✦ MBS / TBS

www.geneonuniversal.jp/rondorobe/anime/danganronpa/

A group of 15 elite high school students are gathered. To graduate means you'll succeed in life, but graduating is difficult. Their graduation hinges around committing a murder. The only way to graduate is to kill one of your classmates and get away with it. If the identity of the killer is discovered, the killer is the only one executed. However, if they fail to catch the killer, only the killer graduates and the others are annihilated. Which of the 15 will survive the bloodbath to come?

Kitakubu Katsudō Kiroku

帰宅部活動記録

Nomad ✦ July 4 ✦ Nippon TV

www.ntv.co.jp/kitakubu/

When a friend asks Natsuki what high school club she's going to join, she cheerfully responds "the go-home club" (meaning, she's not going to join any of them). However, she soon realizes that this club actually exists at her high school and she's just expressed interest in joining it! Before she knows it, she ends up as one of the two new members of "the go-home club," which is a small group of eccentric school girls. What exactly constitutes the activities of "the go-home club"?

Summer Season

Renai Lab (Love Lab)

恋愛ラボ

Dogakobo ✦ July 4 ✦ MBS

www.love-lab.tv ✦ youtu.be/9_eRnFdvOUU

Fujisaki Girls Academy is known for their school body being composed of very proper students. The most prominent one is Maki, the student president. Kurahashi Riko is also admired but for having a very forward and boyish personality. Riko accidentally walks into Maki while she's practicing kissing with a pillow and learns that she isn't what everyone thinks she is. Riko is forced into keeping Maki's secret and join her in practicing all aspects of romance like holding hands and more.

Rozen Maiden (2013)

ローゼンメイデン

Studio Deen ✦ July 4 ✦ TBS

www.tbs.co.jp/anime/rozen/ ✦ youtu.be/ydu3HH6_KpQ

Jun Sakurada is an adult in college trying to live his life after a hikikomori youth and spends his days online, ordering whatever he takes a liking to, only to return it before the payment is due. One day he finds instructions online that tell him to put his order into his desk drawer. Rubbing it off as a joke, Jun mindlessly does so only to find that his order instantly disappears from his drawer. A package suddenly appears, containing a beautiful antique doll. Sequel.

Senki Zesshō: Symphogear G (Swan Song of the Valkyries: Symphogear G)

戦姫絶唱シンフォギアG

Satelight ✦ July 4 ✦ MBS

www.symphogear-g.com ✦ youtu.be/5i2LvQr7gZc

Two years ago, a pair of idols, Tsubasa Kazanari and Kanade Amō, collectively known as "ZweiWing," fought against an alien race known as "Noise" using armor known as "Symphogear." To protect a girl named Hibiki Tachibana, who got severely wounded by the Noise, Kanade sacrificed herself. Two years later, as Tsubasa has fought the Noise alone, Hibiki ends up gaining the same power as Kanade. Second season.

Servant x Service

サーバント×サービス

A-1 Pictures ✦ July 4 ✦ ABC

www.servantservice.org ✦ youtu.be/J3DLdc2fTok

About the staff of the health and welfare section of the ward office of a certain city. Newcomers Hasebe Yutaka, Yamagami, Miyoshi Saya, and their supervisor Ichimiya Taishi go through the everyday quirks of working at their office.

Stella Jogakuin Kōtō-ka C3-bu (Stella Women's Academy, High School Division Class C³)

ステラ女学院高等科C³部（しーきゅーぶ）

GAINAX ✦ July 4 ✦ TBS / BS-TBS

www.tbs.co.jp/anime/stella/ ✦ youtu.be/9_XecUk8rKc

Yura Yamato has just arrived at the high school division of Stella Women's Academy, when Sonora Kashima invites her to join a club called "C³". Sonora is the third-year student who became the new head of this club for military survival games.

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Rōkyū Bu! SS

ロウきゅーぶ! SS

project No.9 ✦ July 5 ✦ AT-X

www.ro-kyu-bu.com

Subaru Hasegawa enters a basketball club of Nanashiba High School, but the activity of the club gets suspended because the club leader falls in love with an 11 year old daughter of the coaching teacher. Subaru's aunt asks him to coach a basketball club of elementary school girls. At first, he is reluctant to teach small girls, but he devotes himself to the club as he knows the complex circumstances of them. Second season.

Fantasista Doll

ファンタジスタドール

Hoods Entertainment ✦ July 6 ✦ MBS

www.fantasistadoll.com ✦ youtu.be/nWsjs1MYWRQ

Uno Uzume is an ordinary second-year middle school student who comes into possession of five "dolls" who fight and power up with special cards. Uzume becomes a card master, and forms a contract with five dolls, each with their own unique personalities.

Fate/Kaleid Liner: Prisma Illya

プリズマ☆イリヤ

Silver Link ✦ July 6 ✦ Nico Nico Live

www.prisma-illya.jp ✦ youtu.be/7aqZQmXSNkA

Spin-off to the *Fate/stay night* franchise, and features Illya as the main character. Illya is living an alternate life as a school girl. However, she is chosen by the Magical Stick Ruby and is involved in a quarrel between Rin and Luvia.

Gen'ei o Kakeru Taiyō: LI Sole Penetra le Illusioni (The Sun Penetrates the Illusions)

幻影ヲ駆ケル太陽

AIC ✦ July 6 ✦ ABC / Tokyo MX

www.geneitaiyo.com ✦ youtu.be/TlvekoZr0n8

A story of girls who solve mysterious matters that occur in this world, using the mystical tarot cards that hold the power to read destinies, a special power that allows them to fight against any kind of enemy.

Monogatari Series: Second Season

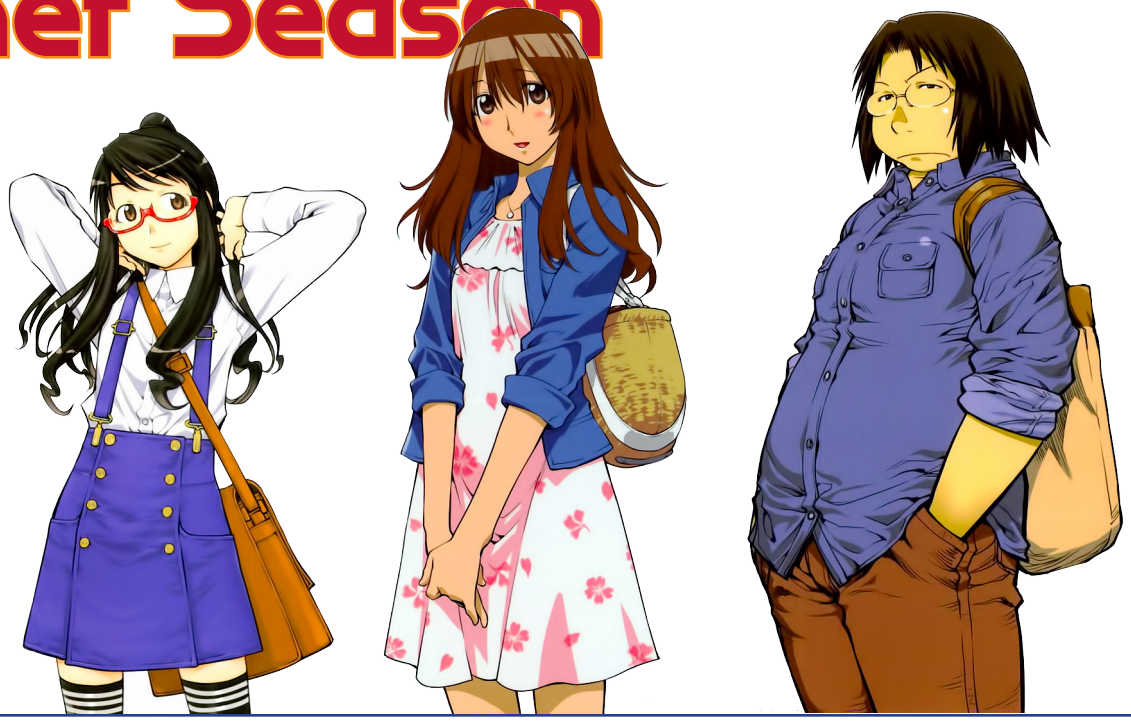
物語〉シリーズ セカンドシーズン

Shaft ✦ July 6 ✦ Tokyo MX

www.monogatari-series.com/2ndseason/ ✦ youtu.be/qxCqk3E4QcY

The black swindler Kaiki Deishu, who once deceived Hitagi, returns to town and spreads the incantation which cursed Nadeko before. Koyomi's sisters Karen and Tsukihi try to capture Deishu but... Second season.

Summer Season



Genshiken Nidaime (Genshiken: 2nd Generation)

げんしけん: 二代目

Production I.G ✦ July 6 ✦ Tokyo MX

www.genshiken-2daime.com

Genshiken follows the lives of a group of college students drawn together by their shared hobbies, and the trials and adventures associated with being *otaku*. Genshiken Nidaime is a continuation of the previous series with the intoduction of three new characters.

Kami-sama no Inai Nichiyōbi (The Sunday Without God)

神さまのいない日曜日

MADHOUSE ✦ July 6 ✦ Tokyo MX

www.kami-nai.com ✦ youtu.be/WLsdAw78Z8U

God abandoned the world on Sunday. As a result, nobody in the world can die or reproduce. A little girl, Ai, is the grave-keeper for a village. She has prepared 47 graves for the eventual deaths of every member of the village. Later, a boy who identifies himself as "Hampnie Hambart, the 'Man-eating Toy,'" which is coincidentally the name that Ai's mother left behind as the name of her father, arrives in the village and slaughters everybody. Just what is going on?

Kiniro Mosaic (Golden Mosaic)

きんいろモザイク

Studio Gokumi ✦ July 6 ✦ AT-X

www.kinmosa.com ✦ youtu.be/i4FnbWiscNQ

Shinobu Omiya is a young girl who once stayed in England, where she met Alice Cartalet, enjoying the time spent with her. One day, Shinobu receives a letter from Alice saying she is coming to Japan, and surely enough she appears and joins her at her school.

Air dates and info are subject to change without notice. Some shows could appear on other channels on different times and days.

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Blood Lad

ブラッドラッド

Brain's Base ✦ July 7 ✦ TVK

www.love-lab.tv ✦ youtu.be/9_eRnFdvOUU

Staz is the vampire boss of a section of the demon world, but he has little interest in human blood. He's more infatuated with Japanese culture. When he learns that Yanagi Fuyumi, a Japanese teenage girl, accidentally wanders into the demon city, he jumps to the occasion. However, while Staz deals with an intruder on his turf, the oblivious Fuyumi is killed by a monster and becomes a wandering ghost. The disappointed Staz vows to her that he will find a way to bring Fuyumi back to life.

High School DxD NEW

ハイスクールD×D NEW

TNK ✦ July 7 ✦ AT-X

www.haremking.tv ✦ youtu.be/25WoaceZECA

The story centers on Issei Hyōdō, a perverted high school student who is killed by his first date who is revealed to be a fallen angel. He is soon revived as a devil by Rias Gremory to serve her and her devil family. This second season will cover the Birth of the Breast Dragon Emperor arc of the novels.

Makai Ōji: Devils and Realist

魔界王子 devils and realist

Dogakobo ✦ July 7 ✦ Tokyo MX

www.makai-ouji.com ✦ youtu.be/dexXLTFmyKw

One day, William's uncle lost everthing in a business failed. Fearing that his family's name has been tarnished, William returns home and searches for anything that can be converted into cash. A search of the premises yields an underground room left by an ancestor. In the room is a magical seal and William unintentionally summons a devil. The summoned devil tells William his name Dantalion, and reveals that William is the designator who can choose the acting ruler of the demon world.

Tēkyū 2

てーきゅう 2

MAPPA ✦ July 7 ✦ Tokyo MX

www.te-kyu.com ✦ youtu.be/WaihsD2kKxc

Tēkyū is based on a sports comedy manga of the same name featuring four high school girls who belong to a tennis club. Second season.

Uchōten Kazoku

有頂天家族

P.A. Works ✦ July 7 ✦ Tokyo MX

www.uchoten-anime.com ✦ youtu.be/d5CJaQuUNtM

In Kyōto, there are three kinds of residents: humans, raccoon dogs, and tengu. Shimogamo Yasaburō is the third son of the Shimogamo raccoon dog family. His father, Souichirō, had been the head of Kyōto raccoon dog community until he was eaten by the human members of "Friday Club." While taking care of old tengu, fighting with other raccoon dogs, and playing with a psychic human girl, Yasaburō approaches the truth of his father's death.

Kami Nomi zo Shiru Sekai: Megami-Hen (The World God Only Knows: Goddesses Arc)

神のみぞ知るセカイ 女神篇

Manglobe • July 8 • TV Tokyo

kaminomi.jp/index.html

Keima is a dating sim champion. Cute girls are rendered powerless by his irresistible game playing techniques. Too bad things aren't that way in the real world. That is, until his tempting game playing causes a real live demon hunter named Elsie to materialize! Now Elsie wants Keima to help her free hot girls from sneaky demons who secretly possess them. Third season.

Watashi ga Motenai no wa Dō Kangaetemo Omaera ga Warui! (It's Not My Fault That I'm Not Popular!)

私がモテないのはどう考えてもお前らが悪い!

Silver Link • July 8 • TV Tokyo

www.watamote.jp • youtu.be/WPNaCGQjDFc

Tomoko Kuroki is a super popular, high school girl who has had 50 years of dating experience and 100 boys...in the Otome game world. In the real world, she is a 15-year-old shut-in who has all of the qualities of a "mojo" (a gloomy or unpopular woman). However, when school isn't going as she expected.

Gin no Saji (Silver Spoon)

銀の匙

A-1 Pictures • July 11 • Fuji TV

www.ginsaji-anime.com

In the fictional Oezo Agricultural High School in Hokkaidō. It depicts the daily life of Yūgo Hachiken, a student from Sapporo who, unlike his new classmates, has no intention of following an agricultural career after graduating. Instead, he decided to study there under the misguided notion that he could easily be the top student in the class.

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Gatchaman Crowds

ガッチャマン クラウズ

Tatsunoko Production • July 12 • Nippon TV

www.ntv.co.jp/GATCHAMAN_Crowds/

Set in the early summer of 2015 and among the 180,000 people that live in Tachikawa City are "Gatchaman." Gatchaman are warriors who fight in special suits powered by NOTE which is the manifestation of special spiritual powers in living beings. A council scouted group with hidden powers have been put together to protect the Earth from alien criminals. Recently, Gatchaman has been assigned to take care of an entity known as MESS.

Chōjigen Geimu Neptunia: The Animation (Hyperdimension Neptunia: The Animation)

超次元ゲイム ネプテューヌ The Animation

David Production • July 12 • BS Animax

www.nep-anime.tv • youtu.be/a3b4LHOOC5o

The world of Gamindustri is divided into Planeptune, Lastation, Lowee and Leanbox. "Goddesses" rule the countries of this unreal world and signed a Friendship Treaty forbidding them from taking the Share by force. It was the dawn of a new, dynamic era marked occasionally by shared laughter, disputes as well as cooperation. What does the future hold in store for Gamindustri?

Summer Season

Futari wa Milky Holmes

ふたりはミルキィホームズ

J.C. Staff / Artland • July 13 • Tokyo MX

www.milky-holmes-anime.com

Sheryl, Nero, Elly and Cordelia are the most popular students at Holmes Detective Academy, because of the many cases they've solved with their "toys" and teamwork. The students and the people of the Detective City Yokohama all look up to the members of "Milky Holmes," as they're called. But on a dark and stormy night, during a battle with their rivals "The Gentlemen Thief Empire," they lose their toys, and their fate undergoes a dramatic change..." Third season.

Kimi no Iru Machi (A Town Where You Live)

君のいる町

Gonzo • July 13 • TV Tokyo

www.kiminoirumachi.com

About two characters Haruto Kirishima and Yuzuki Eba. Yuzuki moved from Tokyo to her father's rural hometown in Hiroshima Prefecture to attend high school. Given that Haruto's father is an acquaintance of Yuzuki's father, the Kirishimas take her into their home. Haruto is not keen of the situation because he believes that Yuzuki is a complete stranger and that a girl his same age, who is not a relative, living in the same home will cause complications for him.

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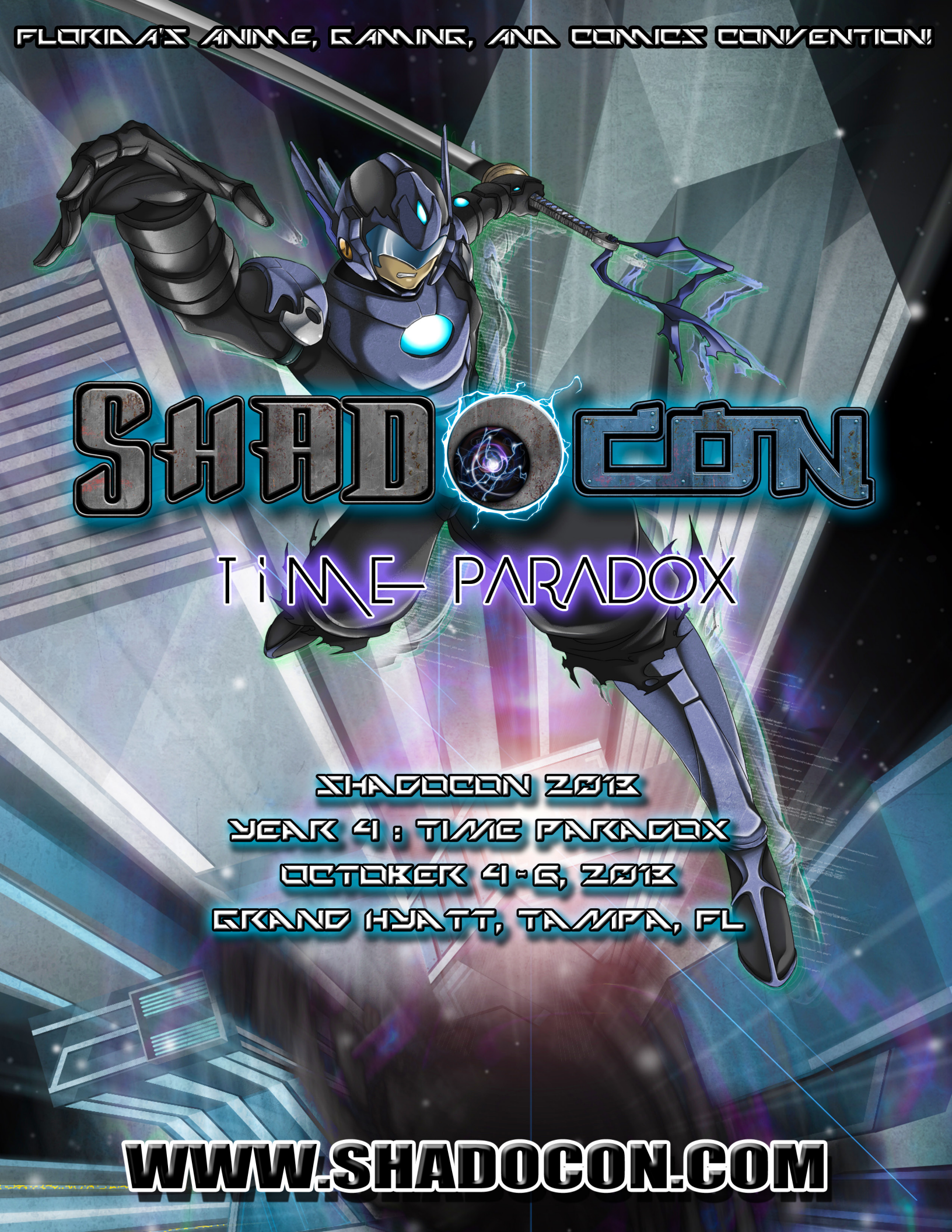
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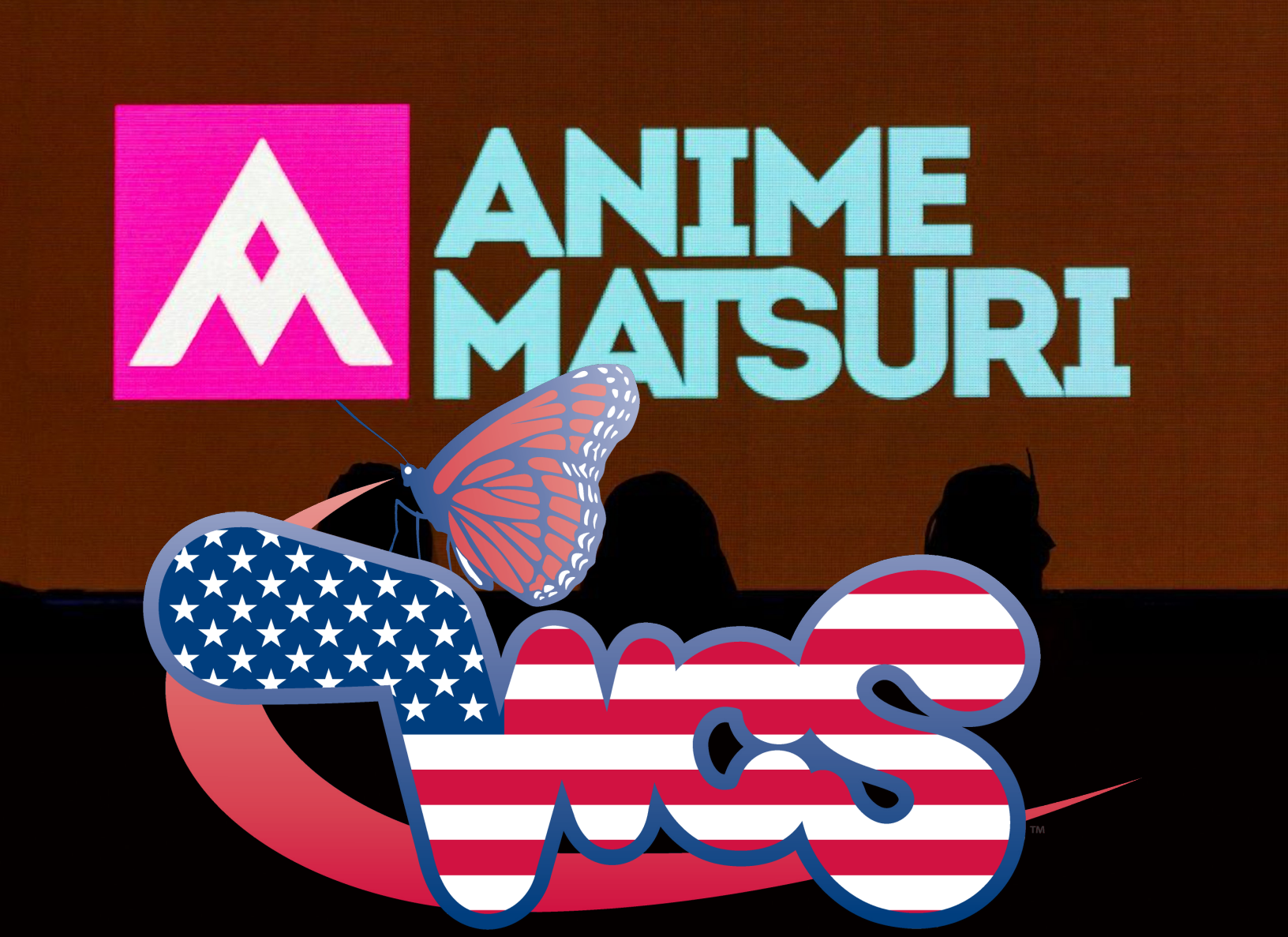


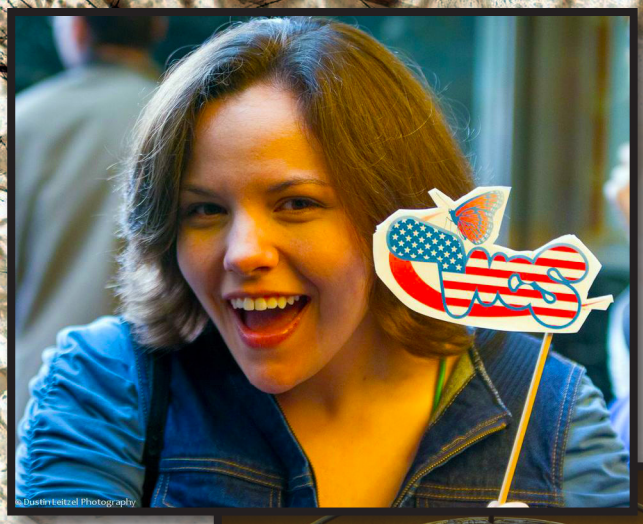
Gulf Qualifier/National Finals

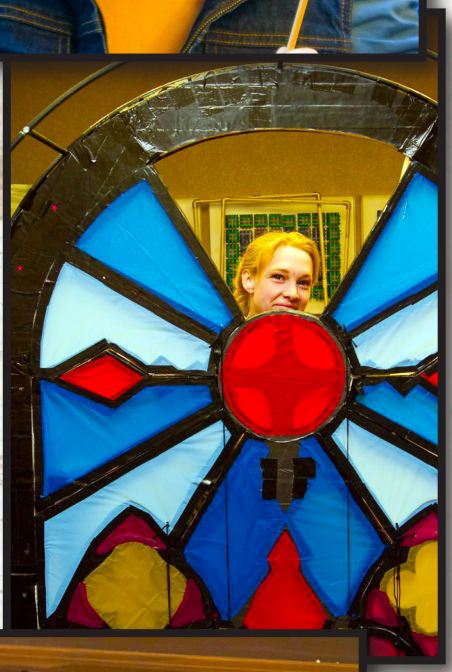
WCS US National Final Round

By Greg J. Hansen with Laura Butler

On Sunday, March 31st, 2013 the World Cosplay Summit US Finals took place at Anime Matsuri in Houston, Texas. This was the seventh year for the convention, which saw more than 10,000 enthusiastic fans of anime, manga, video games and Japanese music in attendance.

The Gulf Qualifier judges Heidi, Lynleigh and Maria.





Top to Bottom:
New WCS staffer Krystal Stoner having fun at the finalist dinner.
Ashe from Fox Gloves at the prop building party the night before the finals.
Organizers Laura and Lynleigh at dinner with the finalists.
Doomed Lunch prepping the Shishigami costume.
Liaison Heidi with finalists from Hawaii.

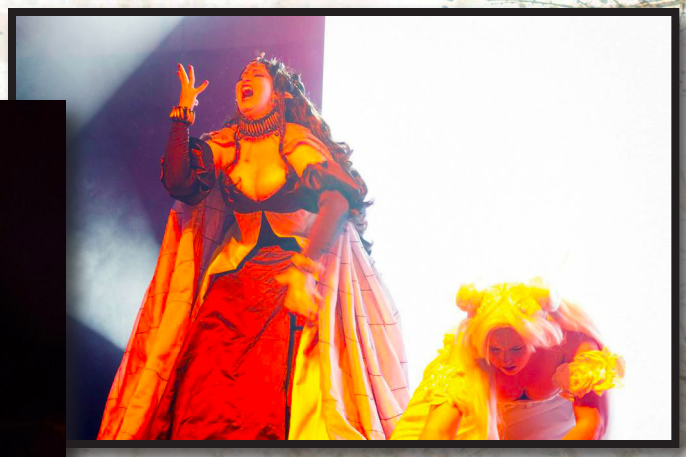
Due to the unique scheduling of the event, both the Gulf Regional Qualifier as well as the National Finals took place in the same weekend. This required some flexibility on the part of the the teams, the convention and the organization, as two finalist teams were not known at the beginning of the weekend.

Craftsmanship judging took place on Friday, March 29th, the opening day of the convention. Two teams from each of the previously determined regions (Hawaii, Mountain and Eastern), as well as the teams for the Gulf regionals, spent time with the judges. The judges were evaluating costumes on fidelity to the source material, quality of construction, and overall effect. During this round of judging, the qualifier teams spent ten minutes in judging, and finalist teams from previously determined regions spent fifteen minutes per team.

The live performance and presentation for the Gulf preliminaries took place on Sunday, in front of an audience of conventioneers and online viewers. Streaming was provided by the convention and gave the online viewers the option of voting for their favorite teams. The event was hosted by Matt Mercer, a voice actor known for his dub performance in *Fate/Zero* and his work in the new *ThunderCats* series as Tygra.

Of the teams that entered the Gulf Regional round, Cupcake Cosplay and Bejitaballz were chosen to move on to the final round.

To accommodate the newly crowned Gulf finalists, an intermission allowed extra time for these teams to be judged again as finalists with a new set of judges. Additionally, Laura Butler announced new staff additions for the World Cosplay Summit US organization. Heidi Shimada will serve as Convention Liaison, Krystal Stoner fills the new position of Participant Liaison, and Kathryn Griffin has joined as Public Relations.



T-L: Lunaladyoflight and Karmada from Karmaluna in their beautiful *Chrono Cross* performance.

T-R: Cupcake Cosplay on stage.

Mid-L: Buunbuun and Koori Tsuki from Nikkei Girls 5-0 during their stunning *Madoka* performance.

Mid-R: Binkx and Badman from the group Bejitaballz during their action-packed *Metal Gear* Solid performance.

Above: Kappa-Maki as Lady Eboshi from *Mononoke-Hime* (Doomed Lunch).

Above-R: Elrowiel and Pannon in a heart-felt *Sailor Moon* performance with their group Green Jello Cosplay.

Right: Lilacwire as Terra finishing off Teca's Kefka in a powerful performance from *Final Fantasy Dissidia*.

Following the announcements, cosplayer and model Yaya Han and Matt Mercer both hosted the proper 2013 US Finals. Representing the Gulf, Eastern, Hawaii and Mountain regions, eight teams brought their best to the stage to wrap up this first-ever nation-wide season of the World Cosplay Summit US competition. The participating teams, their regions, home state, and series were:

Eastern

Karmaluna (Michigan) - *Chrono Cross*
Fox Gloves (California) - *Fate/Zero*

Gulf

Cupcake Cosplay (Virginia) - *Heart no Kuni no Alice*
Bejitaballz (California) - *Metal Gear Solid*

Hawaii

Nikkei Girls 5-0 (Hawaii) - *Puella Magi Madoka Magica*
Doomed Lunch (Hawaii) - *Mononoke-Hime*

Mountain

Green Jello Cosplay (Utah) - *Bishōjo Senshi Sailor Moon*
Wild Garden Cosplay (Colorado) - *Final Fantasy: Dissidia*

Every participating team presented something unique and interesting, and the judges were looking for an outstanding presentation of costume, performance and craftsmanship. With elegant costumes from *Heart no Kuni no Alice*, an engaging performance, and fantastic technical prowess, Cupcake Cosplay was chosen as the 2013 United States team.

Starlighthoney and Breathlessaire will be traveling to Japan in the summer as the United States' representative team for World Cosplay Summit 2013. ❖

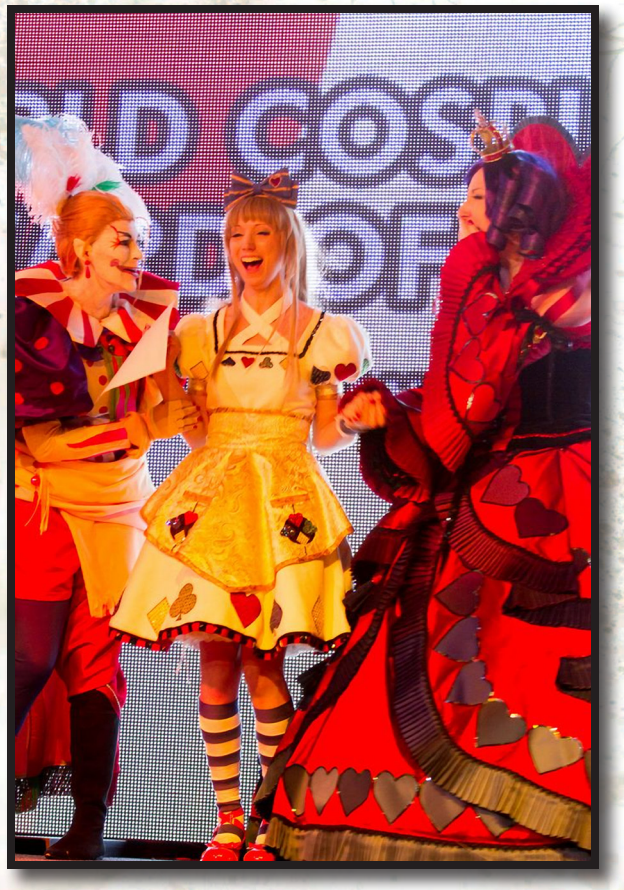
T-L: Starlighthoney and Breathlessaire (Photo by LJinto).

Mid-L: The Gulf Qualifier winners Cupcake Cosplay and Bejitaballz.

Left: All of the US finalists, staff and judges.

R-Pg-Top: Cupcake Cosplay being announced as the national final winners.

R-Pg-Bottom: Cupcake Cosplay with US Organizer, Assistant Organizer, and Convention Liaison



Gulf Qualifier Judging Staff:

Lynleigh Sato - WCS US Assistant Organizer
Heidi Shimada - WCS US Convention Liaison
Maria Vasquez - Anime Matsuri Cosplay Director

National Final Judging Staff:

Krystal Stoner - Participant Liaison and WCS Team USA 2010
Kathryn Griffin - Public Relations and WCS Team USA 2010
Bill Winans - Angry Dog Studios
Katie George - WCS Team USA 2012
Al Squall - WCS Team Mexico 2010

WCS National Staff

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Gulf Qualifier Runner Up: SCOPE Cosplay
Gulf Qualifier Winners: Cupcake Cosplay and Bejitaballz

National Final Runner Up: Wild Garden Cosplay
National Final Winner: Cupcake Cosplay

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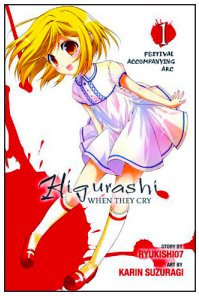

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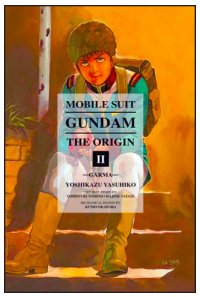

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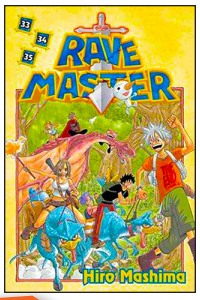

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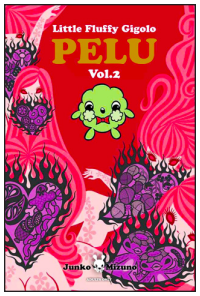

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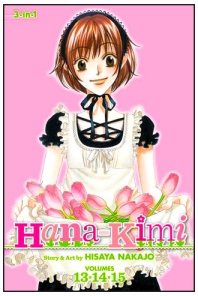

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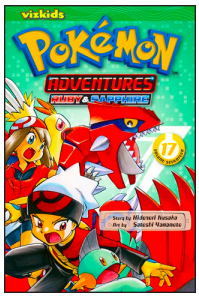

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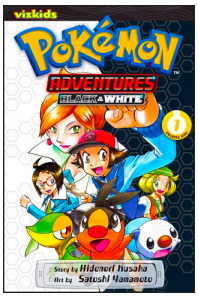

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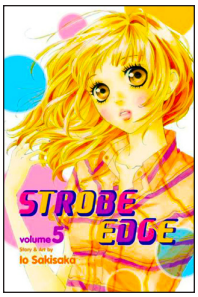

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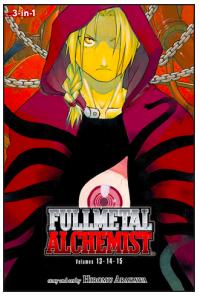

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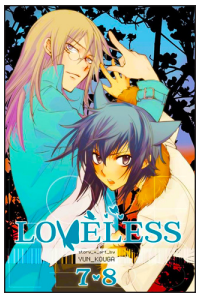

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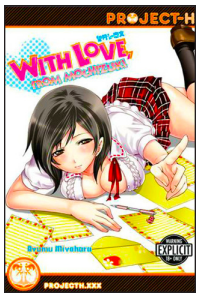

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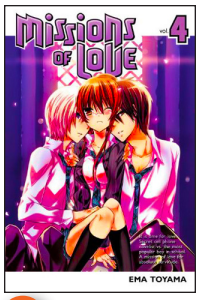

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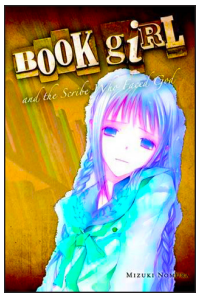

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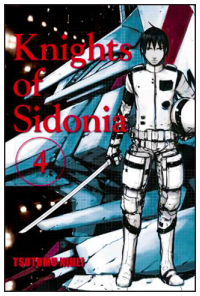

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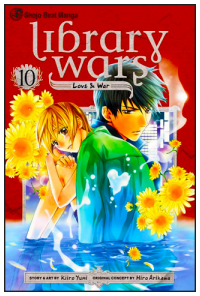

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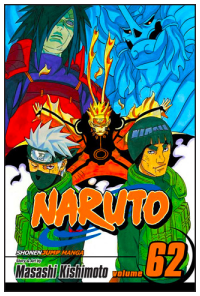

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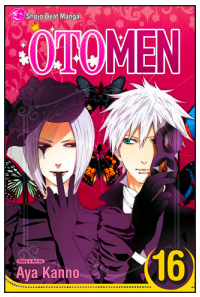

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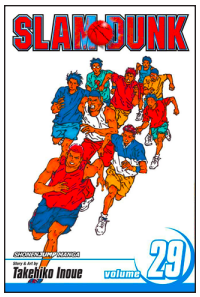

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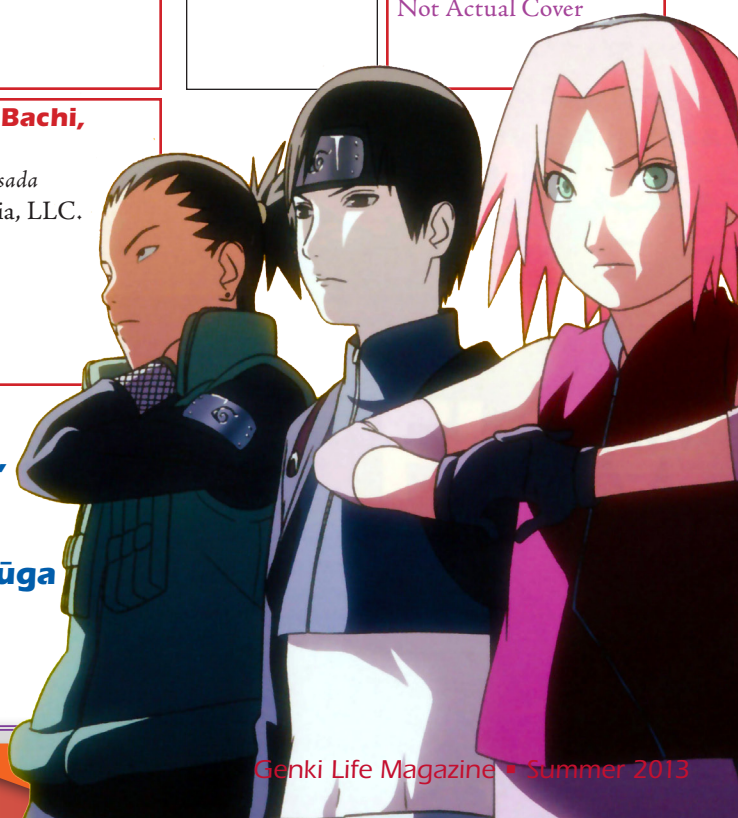

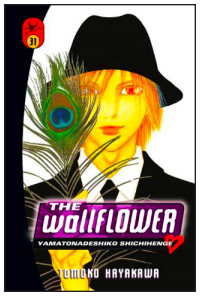

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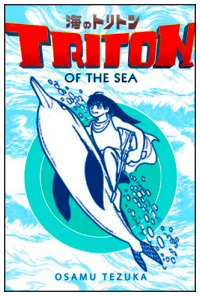

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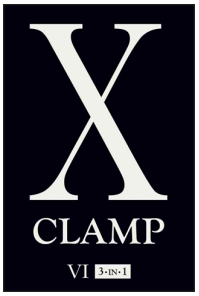

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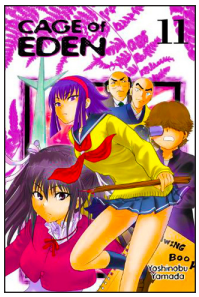

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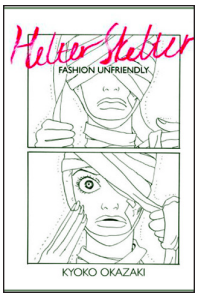

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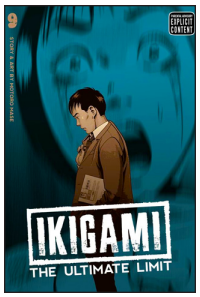

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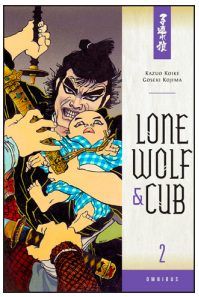

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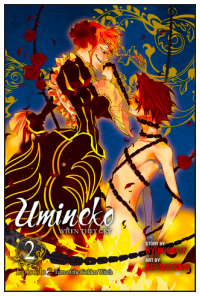

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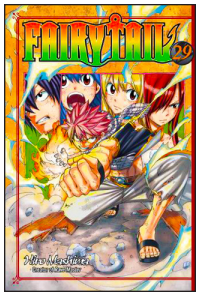

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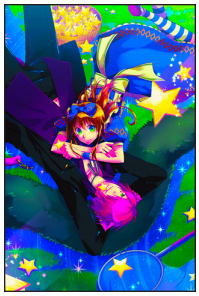

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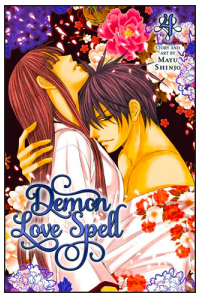

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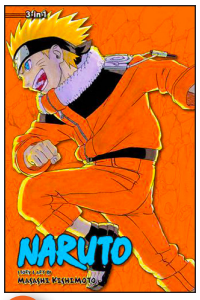

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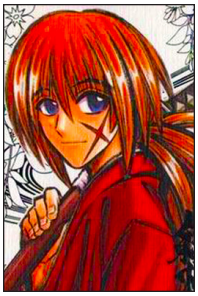

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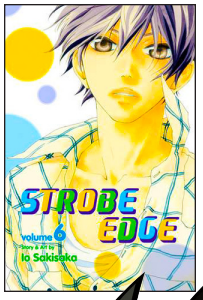

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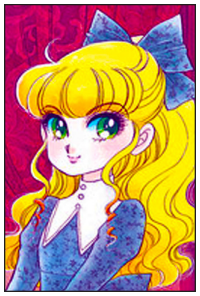

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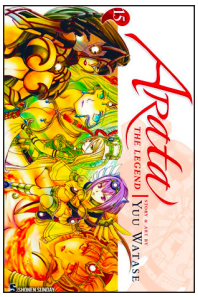

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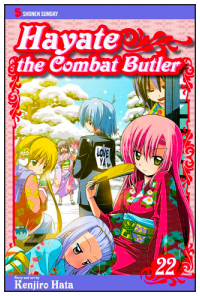

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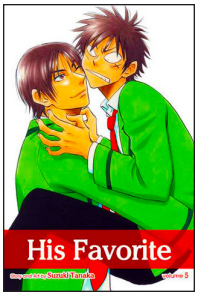

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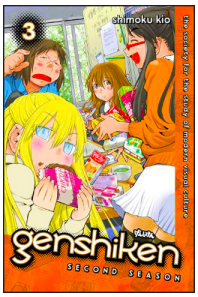

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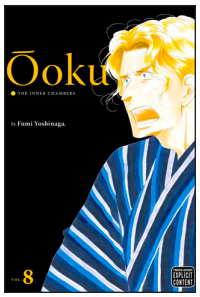

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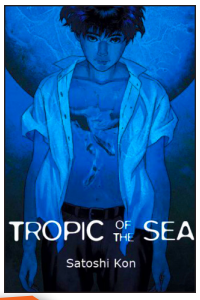

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Ever wanted to play a portable virtual life game that has a lot of customization and so many different ways to have fun? If you said yes, this game is for you! Be prepared though. This game is very addicting. There's just several things to do. Get ready to embark on your new virtual life, *Animal Crossing*-style!

As with the previous version of *Animal Crossing*, you start moving into a town that you can name yourself. You then proceed to choose your looks, register at the town hall, meet your neighbors, and talk with the real estate agent about finding a spot to build and eventually upgrade your house. You can customize many aspects of your house such as flooring, wallpaper, extra levels, furniture, and color. You can customize your character as well such as head gear, hair, face accessories, shirts, pants, socks, and shoes. Collecting items for your house is a must and you can buy some at the store but it's the rare ones that everybody wants. In this game you can now buy fortune cookies at the cost of 2 play coins to earn a lucky ticket. This lucky ticket will either get you a normal item or a rare item. The rare items are exclusive Nintendo items that you can either wear or display in your house. There are about 50 exclusive lucky ticket items that include Samus' armor, Link's Master Sword, a Virtual Boy, a 1-Up mushroom, Captain Falcon's Blue Falcon racer, and a Mario Kart among others.

Money is the driving force in order to get anything. To get money, you can grow and sell fruit, dig up and sell fossils, go fishing, or catch and sell bugs. This game plays in real time, meaning the in-game clock is the time in real life and certain events happen or certain things appear depending on the time of day. There are even special events that happen on certain days such as Halloween and Christmas. You can spend the money on item shops, real estate, and clothing stores. You can also

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June 9, 2013 (NA)
Nintendo, Nintendo EAD Group No. 2
Monolith Soft

Platform: Nintendo 3DS

www.nintendo.co.jp/3ds/egdj/index.html
www.animal-crossing.com/newleaf/

Director: Moro, Isao
Kyogoku, Aya
Producer: Eguchi, Katsuya
Writer: Wada, Makoto
Composer: Totaka, Kazumi
Kataoka, Manaka
Asahi, Atsuko

Rating ESRB: E

donate to your museum from the different fishes, bugs, or fossils you get. They are then displayed for all to see. The difference in this game versus the previous one is that you are now the mayor of your town and it's up to you to decide which public projects are to be done. You can build bridges, fountains, lights, upgrade stores, and add extra buildings. This will be mostly funded by you but your villagers will help a bit towards the completion of the project through monetary means.

The multiplayer aspect of the game is very enjoyable. You can either play wireless locally or play with people around the world online. Other players can visit your town to look around, trade items, or play games. They can even donate to your town if you're falling behind on your public projects. There is a tropical island in the game where you can travel to that has all the fun and games for you and your friends. The different games include scavenger hunting, fishing, bug catching, and matching items. Winning these games will earn you medals that you can spend on items that are exclusive to the island.

The atmosphere of the game is a very relaxing one. It has notable music that calms you and at other times is very catchy. It's one of the best 3DS games out there and can be enjoyed by all at any age. If you are a 3DS owner, this game should already be in your hands. It's a definite 10 out of 10. Now if you'll excuse me, I'll go back to making my house like a karaoke bar. I already got the karaoke machine...

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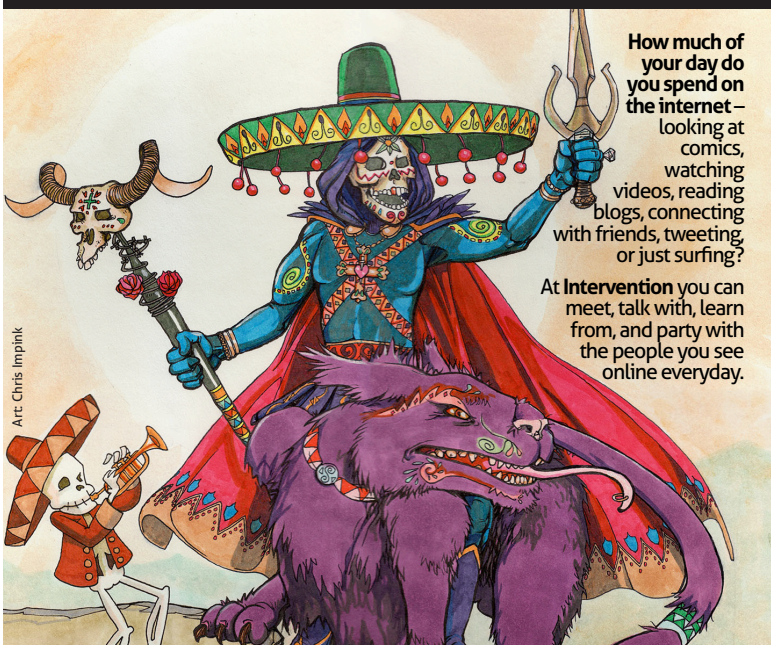

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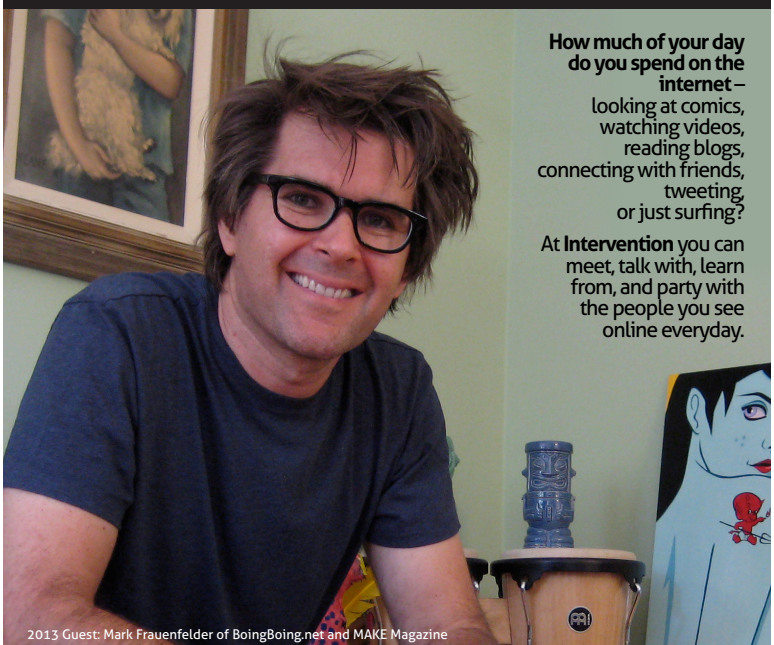

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Coming to make his international debut to America, Ram Rider is performing at Anime Expo in Los Angeles, California early this July. His glow-in-the-dark show is a light show with energetic electronic music that is remixed from popular J-pop artists and songs. He has worked on Ayumi Hamasaki's song "Real Me" and with a new upcoming group Tempura Kidz. The latest song that he has collaborated with the Tempura Kidz is "Cider, Cider." He is keeping himself busy making music and a weekly internet show that streams his favorite music on Audio Galaxy. (www.audiogalaxy .jp)

He has started his musical career at an early age with a home computer. His curiosity in electronics has taken him to explore and play with computer programs to recreate music he listens to. He has started his beginnings by selling his CDs in small shops and captured fans of his work, even some who are in the music industry.

Ram Rider will be performing with his 4 colleagues while wearing electronic light tubing during their show. He creates energetic music for all audiences young and old for people to enjoy. If you are going to Anime Expo, check it out and have a good time.

Who's That Seiyu

Ogura, Yui
小倉 唯

DOB: **August 15, 1995**
Midori, Gunma

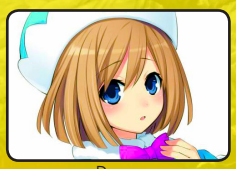
Blood Type: **O**

Current Roles…

Tsutsukakushi, Tsukiko
HenNeko.

Kanda, Yūko
Sakura-sō no Pet na Kanojō

Hosho, Yuzurina
Imōto ga Iru!



Rom
Hyperdimension Neptunia

Okamoto, Nobuhiko
岡本 信彦

DOB: **October 24, 1986**
Tōkyō

Blood Type: **B**

Current Roles…

Accelerator
To aru Kagaku no Railgun

Azuma, Takashi
Photo Kano

Shijima, Daichi
Devil Survivor 2

Murasame
Hakkenden: Ibun

Tamura, Yukari
田村 ゆかり

DOB: **ebruary 27, 1976**
Fukuoka

Blood Type: **A**

Current Roles…

Tsutsukakushi, Tsukushi
HenNeko.

Natsukawa, Masuzu
Ore no Kanojō

Kurusu, Kanako
OreImō

Chōu-Chōu
Mugen Souls

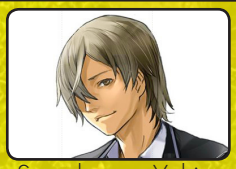
Mizushima, Takahiro
水島 大宙

DOB: **June 14, 1976**
Fujisawa, Kanagawa

Blood Type: **A**

Current Roles…

Mukōjima, Takurō
Namiuchigiwa Muromi



Samukawa, Yahiro
Guilty Crown

Yaegashi, Taichi
Kokoro Connect

Takayuki, Furuichi
Beelzebub

Kitamura, Eri
喜多村 英梨

DOB: **August 16, 1987**
Tōkyō

Blood Type: **A**

Current Roles…

Bahamut
Zettai Bōei Leviathan

Uchida, Yuka
Minami-ke: Tadaima

Ayano, Hikari
Mangirl!

Yasaka, Mahiro
Haiyore! Nyaruko-san W

Nakamura, Yuichi
中村 悠一

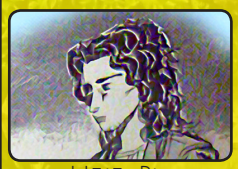
DOB: **February 20, 1980**
Fukuyama-shi, Hiroshima-ken

Blood Type: **B**

Current Roles…

Kōsaka, Kyōsuke
OreImō

Minamoto, Kōichi
The Unlimited



Hōjō, Rin
Initial D Fifth Stage

Yamada, Raizo
Valvrave the Liberator

i of Spring 2013

Satō, Rina
佐藤 利奈

DOB: **May 2, 1981**
Kitakyūshū, Fukuoka

Blood Type: **B**

Current Roles…

Misaka, Mikoto
Toaru Kagaku no Railgun

Presa
Tales of Xillia 2

Yatagai, Rin
Oniichan no Koto

Minami, Haruka
Minami-ke: Tadaima

Kaji, Yūki
梶 裕貴

DOB: **September 3, 1985**
Tōkyō

Blood Type: **O**

Current Roles…

Eren Jaeger
Shingeki no Kyojin

Yokodera, Yōto
HenNeko.

Q-vier
Valvrave the Liberator

Hayakawa, Kakeru
Suki-tte Ii na yo.

Satō, Satomi
佐藤 聡美

DOB: **May 8, 1986**
Miyagi Prefecture

Blood Type: **O**

Current Roles…

Tamura, Manami
OreImō

Edasaki, Banri
Toaru Kagaku no Railgun

Erisyuka
Karneval

Hōzōin, Inshun
Ryōran Samurai Bride

Shimazaki, Nobunaga
島﨑 信長

DOB: **December 6, 1988**
Miyagi Prefecture

Blood Type: **A**

Current Roles…

Shidō, Itsuka
OreGairu

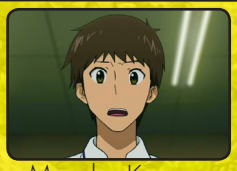


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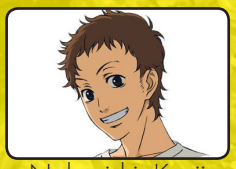
Photo Kano



Nakanishi, Kenji
Suki-tte Ii na yo.

Sakurai, Ryō
Kuroko no Basuke

Eguchi, Takuya
江口 拓也

DOB: **May 22, 1987**
Ibaraki

Blood Type: **A**

Current Roles…

Hikigaya, Hachiman
Oda Nobuna no Yabō

Salvatore Doni
Campione!

Hokaze, Kon
Ixion Saga DT

Sagara, Yoshiharu
Oda Nobuna no Yabō

Hayami, Saori
早見 沙織

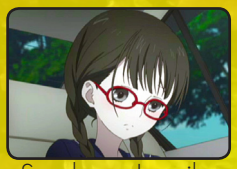
DOB: **May 29, 1991**
Tōkyō

Blood Type: **AB**

Current Roles…

Leviathan
Zettai Bōei Leviathan

Yukinoshita, Yukino°
OreGairu



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Shingeki no Kyojin

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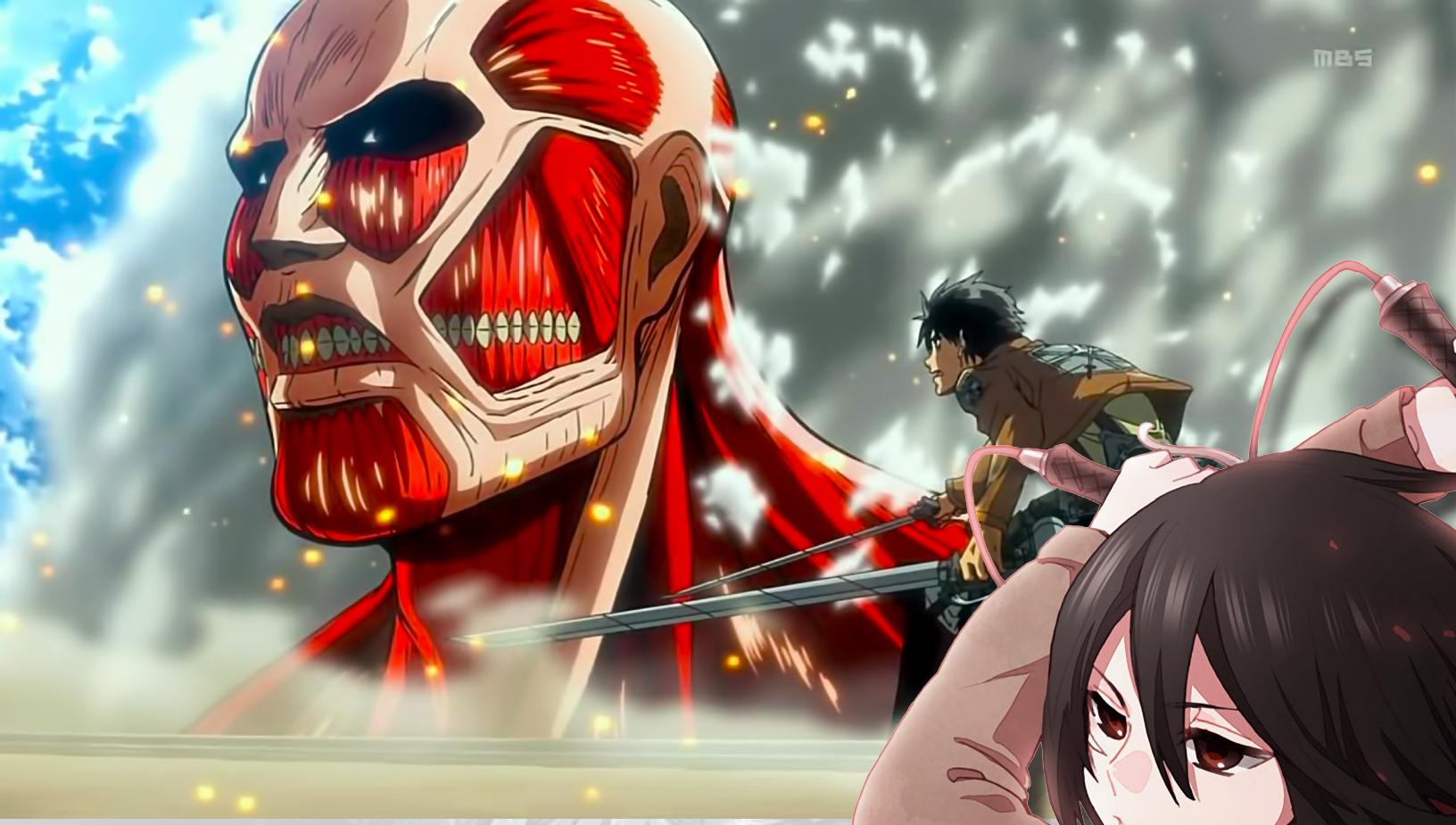
attack on titan

Every month a brand new anime or manga is out for the fans who enjoy them. Last year's biggest anime that has captured the attention of the media then and now is *Sword Art Online* or "S.A.O." for short. Not even a year has passed and the next big anime is already making its way through the masses. This new anime is called *Shingeki no Kyojin*, roughly translated in English as *Attack on Titan*. It is as thrilling and mind blowing that makes it as one of 2013's top anime to look out for.



The background story happened several hundred of years ago, when humans nearly became exterminated by giants. The giants are tall and do not have any intelligence. Humans were being eaten by the giants not just as food but for pleasure. The remaining humans then started to build walls that were too tall and very strong to prevent the giants from attacking and eating humans. The humans succeeded and lived their lives protected by the wall.

Moving forward to the present year of 845 A.D., it has been one hundred years that humans have not seen giants. A small recon group goes out beyond the 50 meter wall to see what is out there. As they look around, they have ran into a group giants. They try to flee away from the giants but they kept following them. As soon as they made it back to the city, some team members were hurt and some were killed in action.

As soon as the entrance to the city was closed, a giant taller than the 50 meter wall appears out of nowhere and attacks the wall. The colossal giant kicks in the entrance and creates a hole. As soon as the gate was destroyed, many different sized giants came in and started to eat the people within the city. The humans started panicking causing chaos and confusion all over the city of Trost.

As the chaos and confusion were happening, a young boy, Eren Jaeger, and his adopted sister, Mikasa Ackerman, witness everything that happened at the wall. They both start to panic and ran away from the giants. As soon as they lost sight of the giant, Eren wanted to go back home to his family and hide. As soon as they get home, their mother was under the debris from a giant destroying their home. Eren tries to get his mother free but could not. The mother tells the kids to run but they would not leave her alone to die.

A giant sees them and walks towards Eren and Mikasa still trying to free the mother. A soldier named Hannes comes to save

L-R: Armin Arlert, Mikasa Ackerman & Eren Jaeger

them. The mother tells the soldier to take only the children and leave her. As soon as the giant came within reach, the soldier takes Eren and MIkasa and runs away. While Eren is looking back, he sees the giant pick up his mother and watches her get eaten. It has left Eren a horrifying memory of weakness that causes him to vow in killing all giants.

This is without a doubt the series to look out for if you want a great story and action. It seems that this anime will be very action packed with spectacular fighting moves and parkour/ Spiderman-like movement. It looks like this anime will be serious and intense with no comedy. Just by watching the first episode, it will grab your attention and will lead you into wanting to watch what happens next. I am looking forward to seeing how the humans will survive and what they will do to stop the giants. ❖ Yukimura Seiichi

Shingeki no Kyojin: Attack on Titan
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Wit Studio, Production I.G, Funimation

http://www.shingeki.tv
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Attack_on_Titan

Director: Araki, Tetsurō
Writer: Kobayashi, Yasuko
Music: Sawano, Hiroyuki

Cast:
Eren Jaeger=Kaji, Yūki
Mikasa Ackerman=Ishikawa, Yui
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Crackle.com is a good source of watching streaming videos for free. The bad things about watching online for free are the commercials they have and can be annoying because of repetition. Even though some classic anime is available, some are still subtitled and others are English dubbed. The good thing about dubbed videos is that it is in English, but the down sides are the incorrect translations and changed names. It is a small inconvenience but it does not change the story or the anime.

One classic anime I have seen and that I am watching over again is *Rurōni Kenshin*. The series is about a red-haired wandering samurai with a cross shape scar on his left cheek that is trying to save people. The samurai, Kenshin Himura, is trying to repent for his past as the famous man-slayer during the Tokugawa—Meiji era. The specialty of this samurai is his god-like speed and quick sword drawing. What sets him apart from regular sword wielding samurais is his reversed bladed sword in which the blade is on the back side of the katana. Every person he fights against does not die or get slashed but are left pain or unconscious. If you like action and comedy this series is good pick.

Another anime that is I have heard about and have been looking for many years was *Slam Dunk*. I have seen other basketball anime (*Kuroko no Baske* and *Dear Boys* (*Hoop Days*)) but I have heard that *Slam Dunk* is a must see sports anime. This anime will teach you terms and rules about basketball. Even though it is a sports anime it is also a comedy involving the life of a high schooler. I am looking forward to watching this anime sometime soon.

Since summer is here and you have time off from school, take a a look at Crackle.com to view some anime that are classic and free to watch online.

❖ Kamiya Kasshin

Top: Rurōni Kenshin
Above: Dear Boys aka Hoop Days
Below: Slam Dunk

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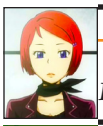

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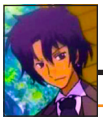

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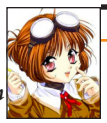

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Kentsu Norton
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Gema
Di Gi Charat

Chrom
Shaman King

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Nina Mercury
Lost Universe

Hōjōn Yukino
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Kaichō wa Maid-sama!

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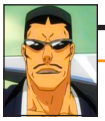

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King of Fighters

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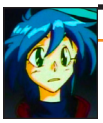
Street Fighter 2



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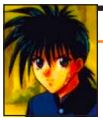

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August Birthdays

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Yano, Aki
Imōto wa Shishunki

Yumeji, Mayu
Comic Party

2

Sano, Mitsuru
Captain Tsubasa

Sakazaki, Ryō
King of Fighters

Kotetsu, Isane
Bleach

3

Cooro
(+Anima)

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V.V.
Code Geass: Hangyaku no Lelouch

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Dias Flac
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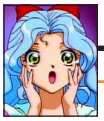
Ayane
Dead or Alive 2

Ukai, Noriko
Gravitation



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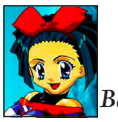

Anna Respighi
Battle Athletes Daiundōkai

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Champion
Akai Kōdan Zillion

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Mosuke
Shaman King

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Gravitation

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Hinako
Sister Princess

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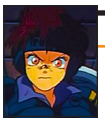
King of Fighters



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Dominion Tank Police

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K-On!

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Komamura, Sajin
Bleach

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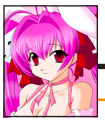

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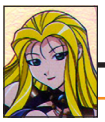

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Jura Basil Elden
Vandread

Ernest Raviede
Star Ocean EX

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Faina S. Shinozaki
Mugen no Ryvius

Anatel Pokki
Shamen King

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Christine Hanakomachi
Daa! Daa! Daa!

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Balrog
Street Fighter 2

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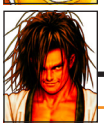

Haohmaru
Samurai Shodown

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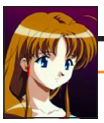

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Mika the Rabbit
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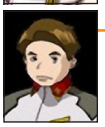

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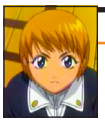

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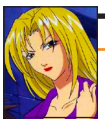

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Top Male Ranking†

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トリハロン
Gothicmade: Hana no Utame

2
Kirigaya, Kazuto
桐ヶ谷 和人
Sword Art Online

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Kōsaka, Kyōsuke
高坂 京介
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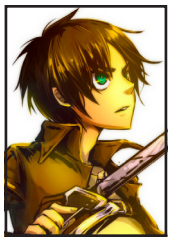

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エレン・イェーガー
Shingeki no Kyojin

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Kodai, Susumu
古代 進
Uchū Senkan Yamato 2199

6
Yūsha
勇者
Maoyū Maō Yūsha

7
Kira Yamato
キラ・ヤマト
Kidō Senshi Gundam SEED

8
Alibaba Saluja
アリババ・サルージャ
Magi: The Labyrinth of Magic

9
Joseph Joestar
ジョセフ・ジョースター
JoJo no Kimyō na Bōken

10
Lelouch Lamperouge
ルルーシュ・ランペルージ
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Top Female Ranking†

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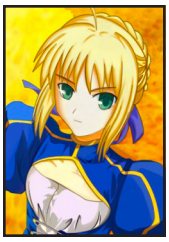
ベリン・アジェリ
Gothicmade: Hana no Utame



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セイバー・アルトリア・ペンドラゴン
Fate/zero

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Gokō Ruri (Kuroneko)
五更 瑠璃 (黒猫)
Ore no Imōto ga Konna ni Kawaii Wake ga Nai

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Tamako Market

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Morgiana
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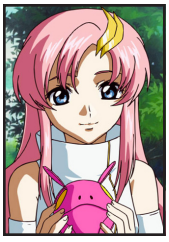

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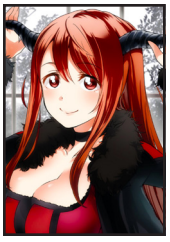
Kidō Senshi Gundam SEED



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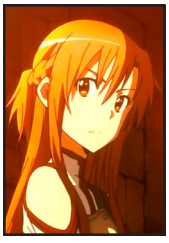
Maoyū Maō Yūsha



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Sword Art Online

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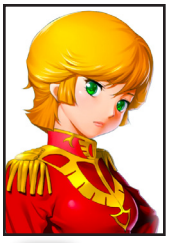
Misaka, Mikoto
御坂 美琴
Toaru Kagaku no Railgun



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Audrey Burne
オードリー・バーン
Kidō Senshi Gundam Unicorn

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TWENTY-FOUR
A Family of Fans
GET IN THE ROBOT SHINJI
I Stole the pres, den
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I discovered anime and anime conventions in the wrong order. Usually, you discover anime, then find out that conventions exist and eventually attend one. As for me, a friend of mine phoned up and said, "I'm in charge of the dealers' room onsite at A-Kon and I need reliable people to work for me. We'll supply crash space. You in?

A-Kon® 24 Guests

ACTORS

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ARTISTS

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BANDS

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PARTICIPANTS

Nathan Robert Brown, Anime Hell, Nerdcore Comedy, ScrewAttack.com

WRITERS

Harry Turtledove, Rachel Caine, Jana Oliver, Esther Friesner, Lee Martindale, Elizabeth Moon, Robin Wayne Bailey

I had no idea what I was walking into.

That was A-Kon 10, held in 1999, and I've shown up for A-Kon in one capacity or another every year since. I've worked on two different staffs and sold art in the Artist Alley. (One year I even bought a regular three-day membership—and ended up volunteering that year anyway!)

In A-Kon I discovered a group of people with wide-ranging interests who loved the same sort of entertainment that I did, and who held a deep curiosity and sense of wonder about the world—and I got the opportunity to foster that sense of community in others.

Co-founder Meri Davis chaired the first A-Kon in 1990. 380 attendees turned out for that tiny little con. By the time I discovered A-Kon in 1999, 3000 fans were showing up for the weekend and they just kept coming: A-Kon grew to almost 22,000 attendees by 2012.

Davis says that A-Kon is her way of giving back to the fan community that nurtured her when she was a misfit teenager with a challenging home situation, by providing a welcoming space to celebrate people and their interests in all their diversity, encouraging everyone to join the conversation, learning and teaching in return.

The sense of community fostered by A-Kon draws attendees back year after year. Melissa Frennea, an anime fan who discovered A-Kon in 2011 says, "I attend [A-Kon] because conventions are a large part of the 'total' fandom experience for me; it's a way to interact with other fans, cosplay, and generally discuss and be a part of fandom."

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The fan community has grown since 1990, incorporating new interests. A-Kon expands its borders as the community does, featuring more and more varied guests, panels, entertainment, and demonstrations. During A-Kon 24 in 2013—in addition to the usual cosplay, meeting and talking with actor and industry guests, watching videos, and shopping in the Dealers' Room and Artist Alley that you would expect at an anime convention—you could also compete in a voice-over contest or run around the hotel collecting items and photographs for a scavenger hunt, hope to meet your geeky soulmate (or at least make new friends!) while speed-dating, dance the night away to live DJs, take tea with steampunk aficionados, hang out with

bronies at *My Little Pony*-themed events, duel with foam swords, or have a snack at the maid cafe. Music fans rocked out on Friday night with two Japanese special guest bands: NSDP and exist†race.

A-Kon attendees could expand their interests in other directions via cultural and fannish demonstrations at the convention, including self-defense and kendo presentations by Plano Martial Arts, Gypsy Fusion Belly Dance and the Sunfire String Quartet. Gamers had a wealth of choices from rooms with tabletop and video games to Battletech pods and even the chance to game with A-Kon guests for charity. Aspiring writers could listen to well-known authors Harry Turtledove, Rachel Caine, and Elizabeth Moon, among others, give advice and tell stories.

Two fan groups that were almost unheard of in 1990, anime/media academics and ball-jointed doll enthusiasts, enjoyed two smaller conventions held during A-Kon 24. DollAKon provided specialized programming that featured doll artist and industry guests, while academics presented papers and enjoyed scholarly discussion with keynote speaker Dr. Helen McCarthy at the Fandom and Neomedia Studies (FANS) Conference.

When I walked through those hotel doors into A-Kon 10 back in 1990, I had no idea what I was going to find. It turned out to be the world: art, music, literature, culture, entertainment, and most of all, community.

I don't know where A-Kon is going next, but I'll go right along with it.

❖ Stephanie G. Folse

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Upcoming Anime DVD/Blu-Ray Releases

Summer 2013

June 25

Heaven's Lost Property Forte (Season 2): Complete Collection (LE)
FUNimation
Blu-ray • $64.98 MSRP

Juden-chan: Complete Collection
Media Blasters
DVD • $24.99 MSRP • Sub

Momo: The Girl God of Death -The Ballad of a Shinigami-: Complete Collection
Maiden Japan
DVD • $29.98 MSRP

Saint Seiya: Movies 1 & 2
Discotek Media
DVD • $24.95
MSRP • Sub

Saint Seiya: Movies 3 & 4
Discotek Media
DVD • $24.95 MSRP • Sub

Tari Tari: Complete Collection
Sentai Filmworks
DVD • $49.98 MSRP • Sub

June 26

Gurren Lagann (TV & Movies): Blu-ray Box (LE) [Import]
Aniplex of America
Blu-ray • $669.98 MSRP

July 2

Hanasaku Iroha ~Blossoms for Tomorrow~: Vol.2 Premium Edition
NIS America
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $69.99 MSRP • 1st Press/Sub

Horizon in the Middle of Nowhere II: Complete Collection
Sentai Filmworks
DVD • $59.98 MSRP

Horizon in the Middle of Nowhere II: Complete Collection
Sentai Filmworks
Blu-ray • $69.98 MSRP

Natsume's Book of Friends: Season 4 Premium Edition
NIS America
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $69.99 MSRP • 1st Press/Sub

Ruin Explorers: Fam & Ihrie
Maiden Japan
DVD • $19.98 MSRP

Top: Kiyoh & Kittan Bachika
Bottom: Kiyal Bachika, Nia Teppelin, Boota, Kamina, Simon, Yoko Littner & Kinon Bachika — Gurren Lagann

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Upcoming Anime DVD/B

Summer 2013 *Continued*

July 9

Black Magic M-66
Maiden Japan
DVD • $19.98 MSRP • Sub

Blue Exorcist LE Blu-ray Box Set 1
Aniplex of America
Blu-ray • $174.98 MSRP • 1st Press

Blue Exorcist: Complete 1st Season
Aniplex of America
DVD • $79.98 MSRP

GYO: Tokyo Fish Attack!
Aniplex of America
DVD • $37.98 MSRP • Sub

Hetalia - Axis Powers: Seasons 1 & 2 Collection (Classic Line)
FUNimation
DVD • $34.98 MSRP

Kimba, The White Lion (1965): Complete Collection [Repackage]
TRSI / Nozomi Entertainment
DVD • $69.99 MSRP • Dub

The Irresponsible Captain Tylor (TV): Complete Collection (Remastered) (Litebox)
TRSI / Nozomi Entertainment
DVD • $39.99 MSRP

The Rose of Versailles, Part 2 (LE)
TRSI / Nozomi Entertainment
DVD • $49.99 MSRP • 1st Press/Sub

July 16

Lovely Complex: Complete Collection
Discotek Media
DVD • $49.95 MSRP • Sub

Naruto Shippuden: Set 15
Viz Media
DVD • $44.82 MSRP

Patlabor The Mobile Police (TV): Collection 1
Maiden Japan
DVD • $59.98 MSRP

Patlabor The Mobile Police (TV): Collection 1
Maiden Japan
Blu-ray • $69.98 MSRP

Special A: Complete Collection [Bilingual]
Sentai Filmworks
DVD • $69.98 MSRP

July 23

Case Closed: Season 1 Collection (S.A.V.E. Edition)
FUNimation
DVD • $29.98 MSRP

Case Closed: Season 2 Collection (S.A.V.E. Edition)
FUNimation
DVD • $29.98 MSRP

Case Closed: Season 3 Collection (S.A.V.E. Edition)
FUNimation
DVD • $29.98 MSRP

Case Closed: Season 4 Collection (S.A.V.E. Edition)
FUNimation
DVD • $29.98 MSRP

Case Closed: Season 5 Collection (S.A.V.E. Edition)
FUNimation
DVD • $29.98 MSRP

Atsushi Ōtani & Risa Koizumi — Lovely Complex

Blu-Ray Releases

Fairy Tail, Part 5
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $54.98 MSRP

Fairy Tail: Collection 2
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $54.98 MSRP

One Piece: Season 5, Part 1
FUNimation
DVD • $39.98 MSRP

Phi-Brain ~ Puzzle of God: Season 2, Collection 1
Sentai Filmworks
DVD • $59.98 MSRP

Phi-Brain ~ Puzzle of God: Season 2, Collection 1
Sentai Filmworks
Blu-ray • $69.98 MSRP

Robotech: 2-Movie Collection (The Shadow Chronicles & Love Live Alive)
Lionsgate / A&E
DVD • $19.98 MSRP • Dub

Super Robot Wars OG: Divine Wars
Media Blasters
DVD • $39.99 MSRP • Sub

Super Robot Wars: Original Generation The Animation
Media Blasters
DVD • $14.99 MSRP • Sub

July 30

Another: Complete Collection
Sentai Filmworks
DVD • $59.98 MSRP

Another: Complete Collection
Sentai Filmworks
Blu-ray • $69.98 MSRP

Lupin the Third - The Woman Called Fujiko Mine: Complete Collection
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $64.98 MSRP

Lupin the Third - The Woman Called Fujiko Mine: Complete Collection (LE)
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $69.98 MSRP

Puella Magi Madoka Magica Movies 1 & 2 (animate LE) [Import]
Aniplex of America
Blu-ray • $149.98 MSRP • Sub

Puella Magi Madoka Magica Movies 1 & 2 (LE) [Import]
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Blu-ray • $129.98 MSRP • Sub

Puella Magi Madoka Magica Movies 1 & 2 [Import]
Aniplex of America
Blu-ray • $109.98 MSRP • Sub

Samurai Pizza Cats: Complete Collection
Discotek Media
DVD • $79.95 MSRP • Dub

August 6

BERSERK: The Golden Age Arc II - The Battle of Doldrey
Viz Media
DVD • $19.98 MSRP

BERSERK: The Golden Age Arc II - The Battle of Doldrey
Viz Media
Blu-ray • $24.98 MSRP

Black Lagoon: Roberta's Blood Trail
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $39.98 MSRP

Daily Lives of High School Boys: Complete Series Premium Edition
NIS America
Blu-ray • $64.99 MSRP • 1st Press/Sub

Dirty Pair (TV), Part 2 (Litebox)
TRSI / Nozomi Entertainment
DVD • $39.99 MSRP • Sub

Haganai: Complete Collection
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $64.98 MSRP

Haganai: Complete Collection (LE)
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $69.98 MSRP • 1st Press

The Garden of Words
Sentai Filmworks
DVD • $24.98 MSRP

The Garden of Words
Sentai Filmworks
Blu-ray • $34.98 MSRP

August 13

Blast of Tempest: Complete 1st Season
Aniplex of America
DVD • $74.98 MSRP • Sub

Eureka Seven: AO (Astral Ocean), Part 1
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $64.98 MSRP

Eureka Seven: AO (Astral Ocean), Part 1 (LE)
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $69.98 MSRP • 1st Press

Shining Hearts: Complete Collection
Sentai Filmworks
DVD • $59.98 MSRP

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Shining Hearts: Complete Collection
Sentai Filmworks
Blu-ray • $69.98 MSRP

Sword Art Online LE Blu-ray Box Set I: Aincrad Part 1
Aniplex of America
DVD • $112.98 MSRP • 1st Press

Sword Art Online, Vol.1: Aincrad Part 1
Aniplex of America
DVD • $49.98 MSRP

The Future Diary, Part 1
FUNimation
DVD • $59.98 MSRP

The Future Diary, Part 1 (LE)
FUNimation
DVD • $64.98 MSRP • 1st Press

August 20

Dragon Ball Z: Rock the Dragon Edition (LE)
FUNimation
DVD • $99.98 MSRP • Dub

Fairy Tail, Part 6
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $54.98 MSRP

High School DxD: Complete Collection
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $64.98 MSRP • 1st Press

High School DxD: Complete Collection (LE)
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $69.98 MSRP • 1st Press

Mobile Suit Gundam Unicorn, Part 1
Sunrise / TRSI
DVD • $29.99 MSRP

Mobile Suit Gundam Unicorn, Part 2
Sunrise / TRSI
DVD • $29.99 MSRP

New Dominion Tank Police
Maiden Japan
DVD • $29.98 MSRP

Nura - Rise of the Yokai Clan: Set 2
Viz Media
DVD • $44.82 MSRP

Nura - Rise of the Yokai Clan: Set 2
Viz Media
Blu-ray • $54.97 MSRP

Princess Knight, Part 1
TRSI / Nozomi Entertainment
DVD • $39.99 MSRP • Dub

Starzinger: The Movie Collection
Shout! Factory
DVD • $19.93 MSRP • Dub

The Legend of the Legendary Heroes: Complete Collection
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $69.98 MSRP

tsuritama: Complete Collection
Sentai Filmworks
DVD • $59.98 MSRP

tsuritama: Complete Collection
Sentai Filmworks
Blu-ray • $69.98 MSRP

August 27

Guilty Crown, Part 1
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $64.98 MSRP

Guilty Crown, Part 1 (LE)
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $89.98 MSRP • 1st Press

Guilty Crown, Part 2
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $59.98 MSRP

Medaka Box: Complete Collection
Sentai Filmworks
DVD • $59.98 MSRP

Medaka Box: Complete Collection
Sentai Filmworks
Blu-ray • $69.98 MSRP

Monsuno, Vol.3: Combat Chaos
Shout! Factory
DVD • $14.97 MSRP • Dub

Onimusha: Dawn of Dreams
Media Blasters
DVD • $19.99 MSRP

September 3

AKB0048: Season 1 Collection
Sentai Filmworks
DVD • $59.98 MSRP

AKB0048: Season 1 Collection
Sentai Filmworks
Blu-ray • $69.98 MSRP

Elfen Lied (TV & OVA): Complete Collection
ADV Films
DVD • $39.98 MSRP

Elfen Lied (TV & OVA): Complete Collection
ADV Films
Blu-ray • $49.98 MSRP

From Up on Poppy Hill
Cinedigm/New Video
DVD • $29.95 MSRP

Kazuto "Kirito" Kirigaya &
Asuna Yūki — Sword Art Online

From Up on Poppy Hill
Cinedigm/New Video
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $34.95 MSRP

The Irresponsible Captain Tylor (OVA): Complete Collection (Remastered) (Litebox)
TRSI / Nozomi Entertainment
DVD • $29.99 MSRP

September 10

Blue Exorcist LE Blu-ray Box Set 2
Aniplex of America
DVD • $174.98 MSRP • 1st Press

Blue Exorcist: Complete 2nd Season
Aniplex of America
DVD • $79.98 MSRP

Digimon - Digital Monsters: Season 2, Vol.4
New Video Group
DVD • $19.95 MSRP • Dub

Digimon Frontier: Season 4 Collection
New Video Group
DVD • $79.95 MSRP • Dub

LASTEXILE -Fam, The Silver Wing,- Part 1
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $64.98 MSRP

LASTEXILE -Fam, The Silver Wing,- Part 1 (LE)
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $69.98 MSRP • 1st Press

LASTEXILE -Fam, The Silver Wing,- Part 2
FUNimation
Blu-ray/DVD Combo • $64.98 MSRP

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Patlabor The Mobile Police (TV): Collection 2
Maiden Japan
DVD • $59.98 MSRP

Patlabor The Mobile Police (TV): Collection 2
Maiden Japan
Blu-ray • $69.98 MSRP

This Boy Caught a Merman
Sentai Filmworks
DVD • $14.98 MSRP

This Boy Caught a Merman
Sentai Filmworks
Blu-ray • $24.98 MSRP

Yu-Gi-Oh!: Season 1 Collection
New Video Group
DVD • $44.95 MSRP • Dub

Yu-Gi-Oh!: Season 1, Vol.1
New Video Group
DVD • $24.95 MSRP • Dub

Yu-Gi-Oh!: Season 1, Vol.2
New Video Group
DVD • $24.95 MSRP • Dub

September 17

Golgo 13: Complete Collection
Sentai Filmworks
DVD • $99.98 MSRP

Golgo 13: Complete Collection
Sentai Filmworks
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Sword Art Online LE Blu-ray Box Set II: Aincrad Part 2
Aniplex of America
DVD • $112.98 MSRP • 1st Press

Sword Art Online, Vol.2: Aincrad Part 2
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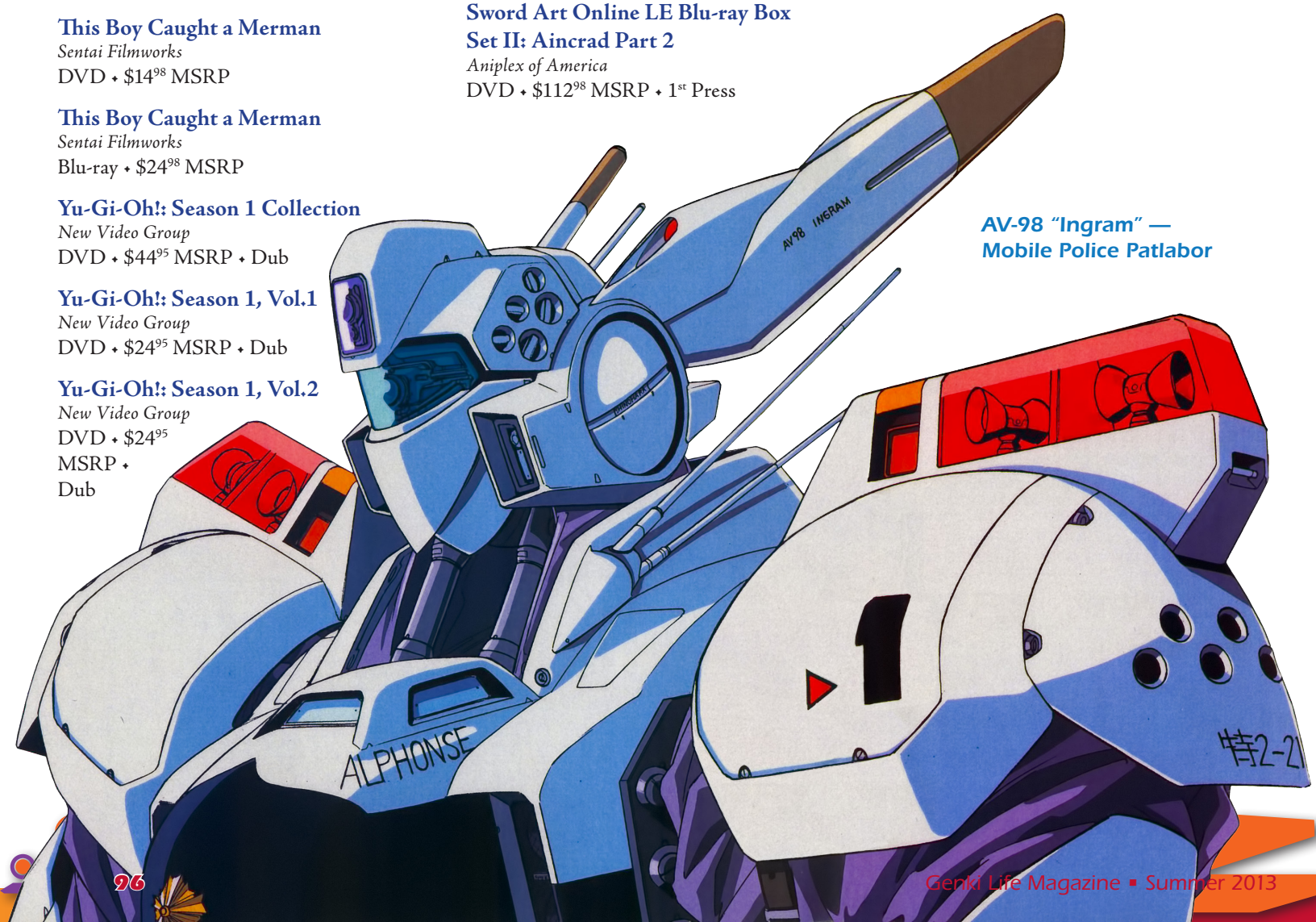


AV-98 "Ingram" — Mobile Police Patlabor

Man's Job Threatened Over Anonymous Anime-Related Blog Posts

In spite of the highly touted wonders of Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe's new economics plan, often referred to as "Abenomics," there are many large companies across the nation preparing for major layoffs and general downsizing. An anonymous internet user has shared with Japanese site *News Post Seven* his perhaps justified feelings of paranoia over how companies are using invasive internet searches to decide who stays and who gets the boot. We'll refer to him simply as Mr. Nakagawa, and hope that this name change is enough to save him from his boss's proverbial wrath.

It should be noted that Japan is very serious about separating who you are at work from who you are in "private." Your private life includes everything from your hobbies to your lover, whether what you do with them is behind closed doors or not. If it's not work related then it's private. However, with a potential major money crisis on the horizon, Japanese companies have started crossing that line and meddling in people's private affairs.

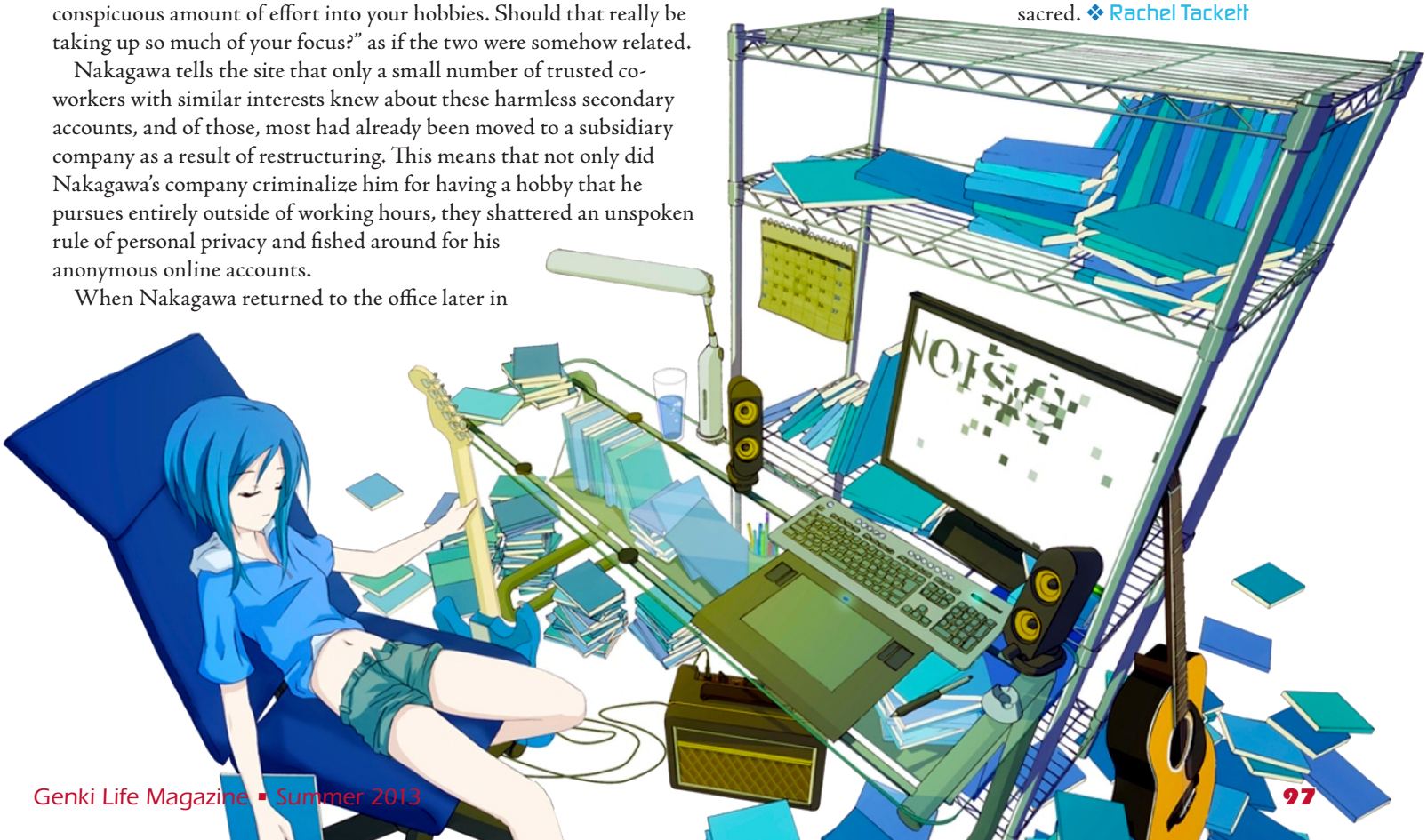
Nakagawa is a big fan of anime and manga, though he never allowed this to interfere with his job. He created a special blog and Twitter account for writing up anime and movie reviews, but did so under an alias, keeping the page entirely separate from his primary account. And yet, in spite of all of this careful anonymity he was recently called in by the personnel department, where they told him, "You put a conspicuous amount of effort into your hobbies. Should that really be taking up so much of your focus?" as if the two were somehow related.

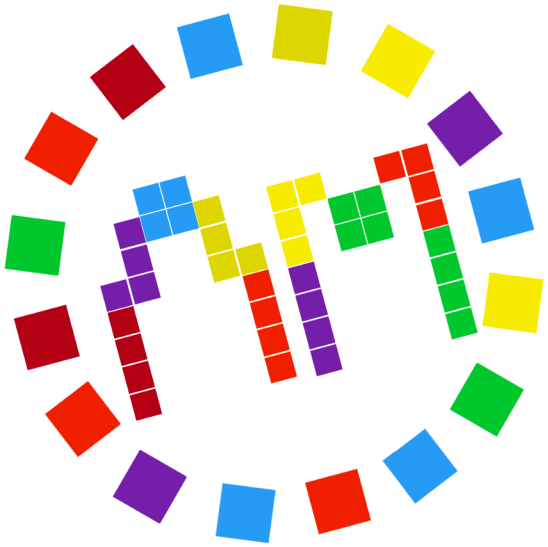
Nakagawa tells the site that only a small number of trusted co-workers with similar interests knew about these harmless secondary accounts, and of those, most had already been moved to a subsidiary company as a result of restructuring. This means that not only did Nakagawa's company criminalize him for having a hobby that he pursues entirely outside of working hours, they shattered an unspoken rule of personal privacy and fished around for his anonymous online accounts.

When Nakagawa returned to the office later in the week, a copy of one of his raving anime reviews was being passed around the office without his prior knowledge or consent. Without any friends remaining in the office to back him up, he found himself the subject of unsavory rumors and wary stares as a result. People began to regard him as "that 40-year-old weirdo bachelor with an anime fetish." Inevitably, Nakagawa felt driven to change divisions within the company. It seemed as though he'd been purposefully pigeonholed, so he asked someone within the personnel division for clarification on his situation.

Basically, all of his suspicions were true.

It's common knowledge that one shouldn't complain about their work or their managers in a public forum. That's just asking for trouble. Still, many feel safe acting as themselves behind a veil of internet anonymity. However, it's apparently quite easy to find someone's full list of online accounts by doing a simple web search of their email address, regardless of whether or not that person is using a pseudonym. It no longer matters if what one writes is labeled with the name of the user and the company at which they work, nor does it matter if the content of one's posts is work-related or not! When some organizations feel the need to downsize, they'll seek out every online outlet utilized by their workers and use any excuse to single someone out and set them up for expulsion. Nowhere is safe and nothing is sacred. ❖ Rachel Tackett





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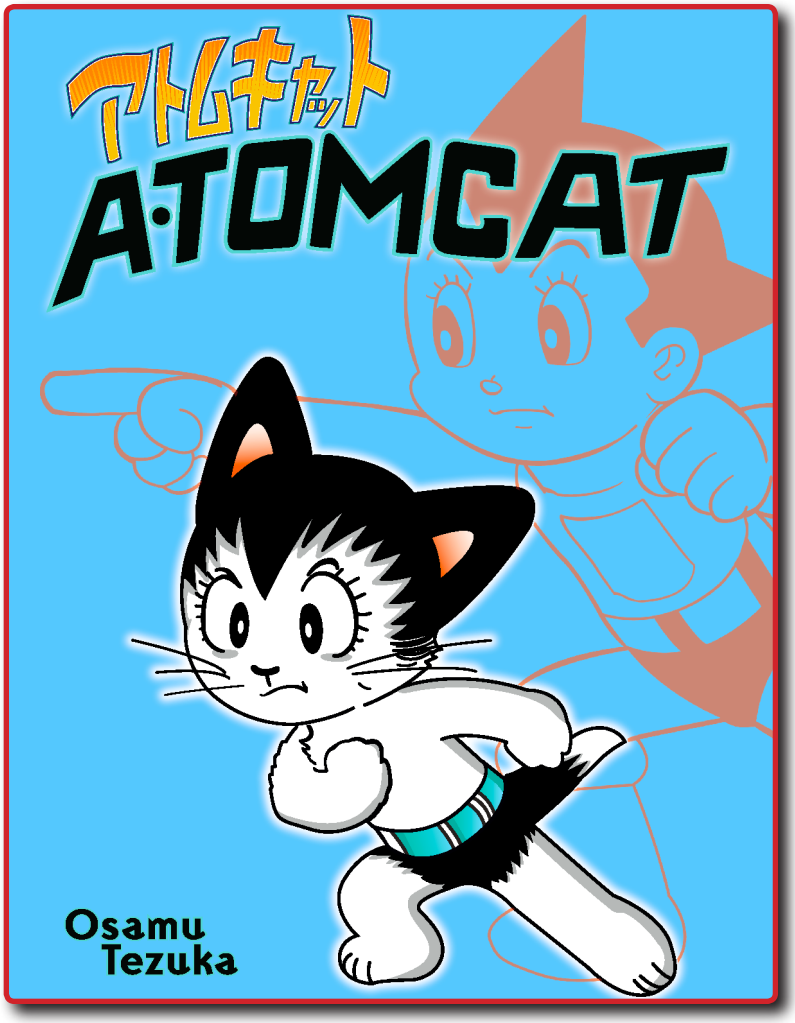

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Reading the *Tetsuwan Atom* (popularized in America as "Astro Boy") comic book with his dad is Tsugio's one refuge from merciless school bullies. And even then, without a single friend, Tsugio can't catch a break. One day he finds an abandoned kitten, and names it after the robot hero to convince his family to keep it. But after a strange encounter with aliens honeymooning on Earth, Tsugio's shocked to find his cat can speak—and has all of Astro Boy's powers! Sworn to secrecy, Tsugio and Earth's tiniest hero find themselves entangled with demonic cats, pirate ghosts, a crime syndicate, and more!

Playful, ingenious and appropriate for all ages, Osamu Tezuka's fresh take on his classic Astro Boy character will charm nostalgic grown-ups and clever kids. As gentle and humane as it is exciting, Atomcat also nurtures a positive outlook for children who might feel like they don't quite fit in.

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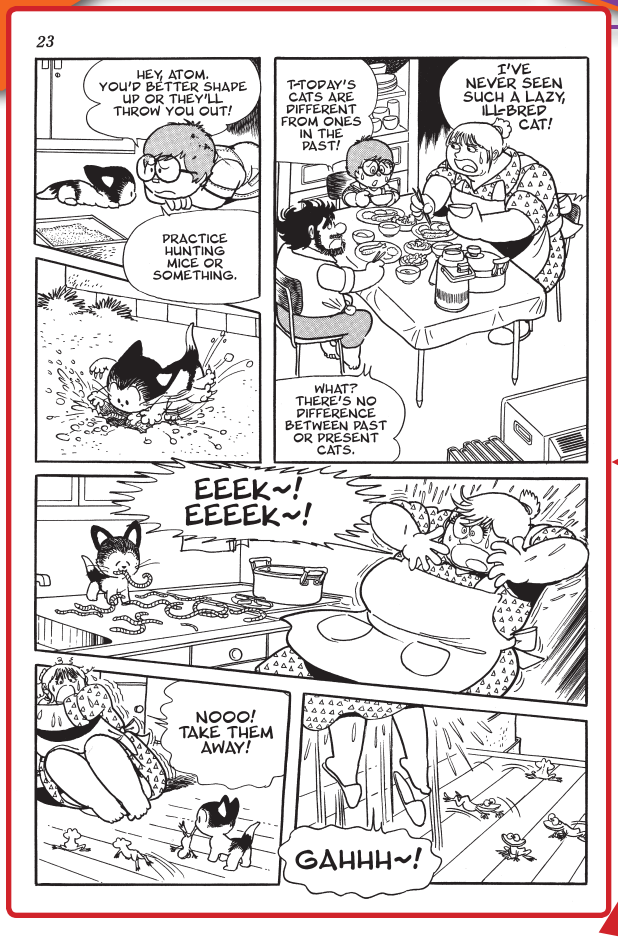
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HEY, ATOM. YOU'D BETTER SHAPE UP OR THEY'LL THROW YOU OUT!
PRACTICE HUNTING MICE OR SOMETHING.
TTODAY'S CATS ARE DIFFERENT FROM ONES IN THE PAST!
I'VE NEVER SEEN SUCH A LAZY, ILLBRED CAT!
WHAT? THERE'S NO DIFFERENCE BETWEEN PAST OR PRESENT CATS.
EEEK~! EEEEK~!
NOOO! TAKE THEM AWAY!
GAHHH~!

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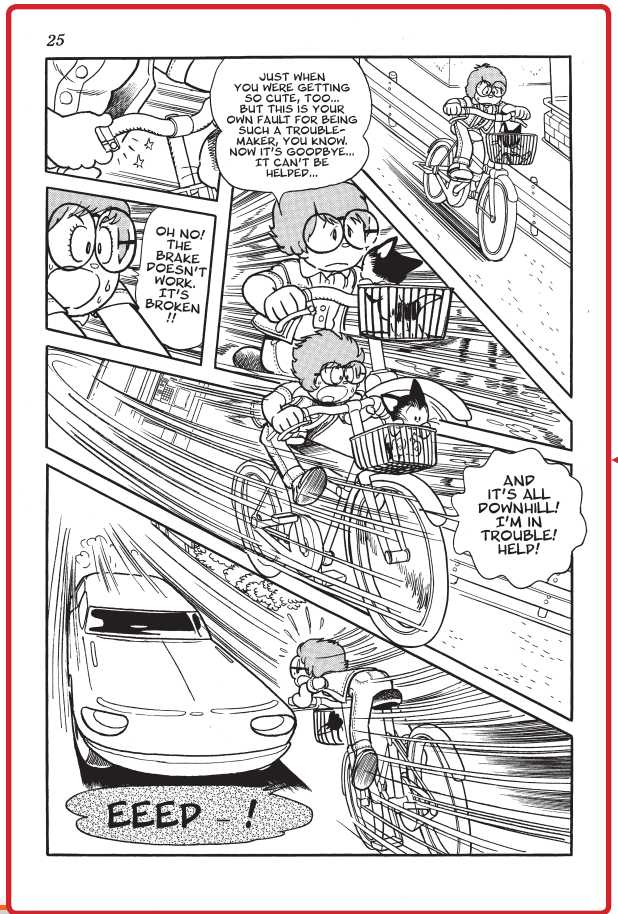
M...MY DESK...! I WAS ALMOST DONE WITH MY ROBOT TOO! THAT LITTLE...
SHIT
SHIT
SHIT
SHIT
YOU'VE RUINED THE WALL PAPER!
WHAT'S THE MATTER?
M...MY PRECIOUS MICROMOUSE MAZE! THE CAT WENT AND POOPED IN IT EVERY-WHERE!
ATOM, WAKE UP!
THIS IS YOUR BED. THAT'S YOUR LITTER BOX, GOT IT?!
STOP SLEEPING, AND LEARN!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JUST WHEN YOU WERE GETTING SO CUTE, TOO... BUT THIS IS YOUR OWN FAULT FOR BEING SUCH A TROUBLE-MAKER, YOU KNOW. NOW IT'S GOODBYE... IT CAN'T BE HELPED...
OH NO! THE BRAKE DOESN'T WORK. IT'S BROKEN !!
AND IT'S ALL DOWNHILL! I'M IN TROUBLE! HELP!
EEEP - !

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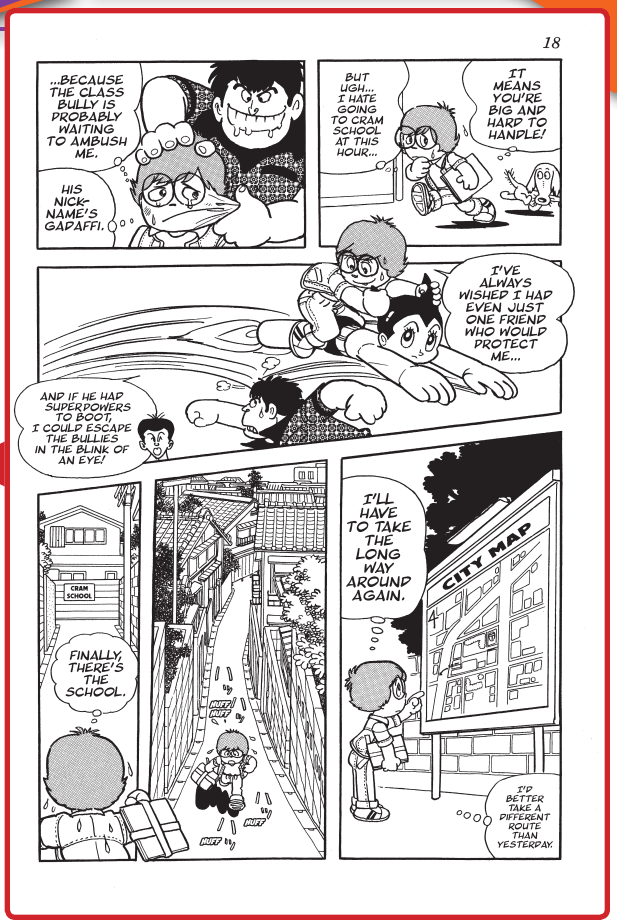
YOU SURE TOOK THE ROUND-ABOUT WAY, TIRED?
GAH! THEY WERE WAITING FOR ME!
DA-DUN!!
NOOOO! GIVE THEM BACK!
LET'S HAVE A LOOK IN YOUR BAG. IT'S OKAY, RIGHT?
STOP! GIVE IT BACK!
...ONLY WITHOUT YOUR GLASSES!!
BUT I CAN'T SEE WITHOUT THEM!
WE HID YOUR STUFF ALL AROUND THIS AREA. YOU'VE GOT GOOD INTUITION. GO TRY AND FIND EVERY-THING...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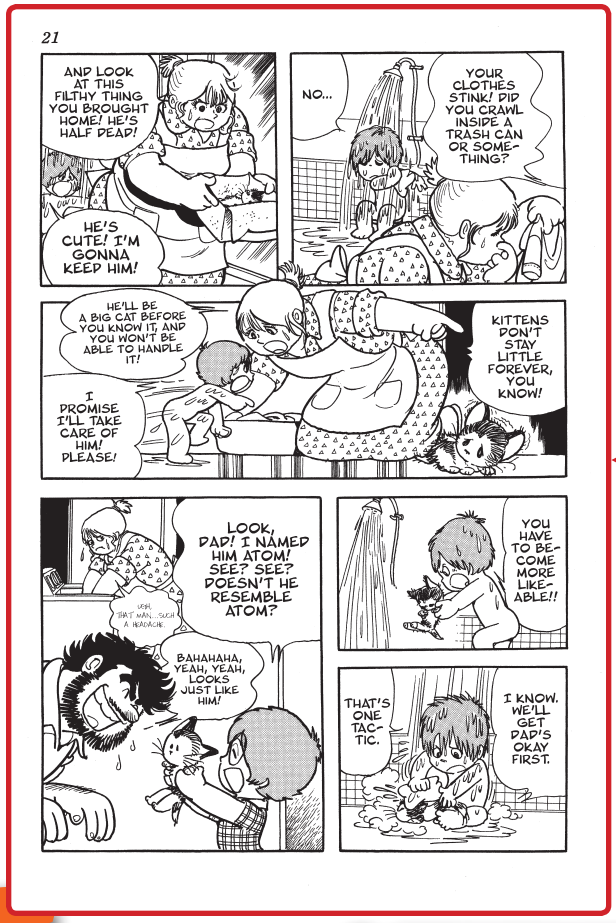
...BECAUSE THE CLASS BULLY IS PROBABLY WAITING TO AMBUSH ME.
HIS NICK-NAME'S GADAFFI.
BUT UGH... I HATE GOING TO CRAM SCHOOL AT THIS HOUR...
IT MEANS YOU'RE BIG AND HARD TO HANDLE!
I'VE ALWAYS WISHED I HAD EVEN JUST ONE FRIEND WHO WOULD PROTECT ME...
AND IF HE HAD SUPERPOWERS TO BOOT, I COULD ESCAPE THE BULLIES IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE!
CRAM SCHOOL
FINALLY, THERE'S THE SCHOOL.
I'LL HAVE TO TAKE THE LONG WAY AROUND AGAIN.
CITY MAP
I'D BETTER TAKE A DIFFERENT ROUTE THAN YESTERDAY.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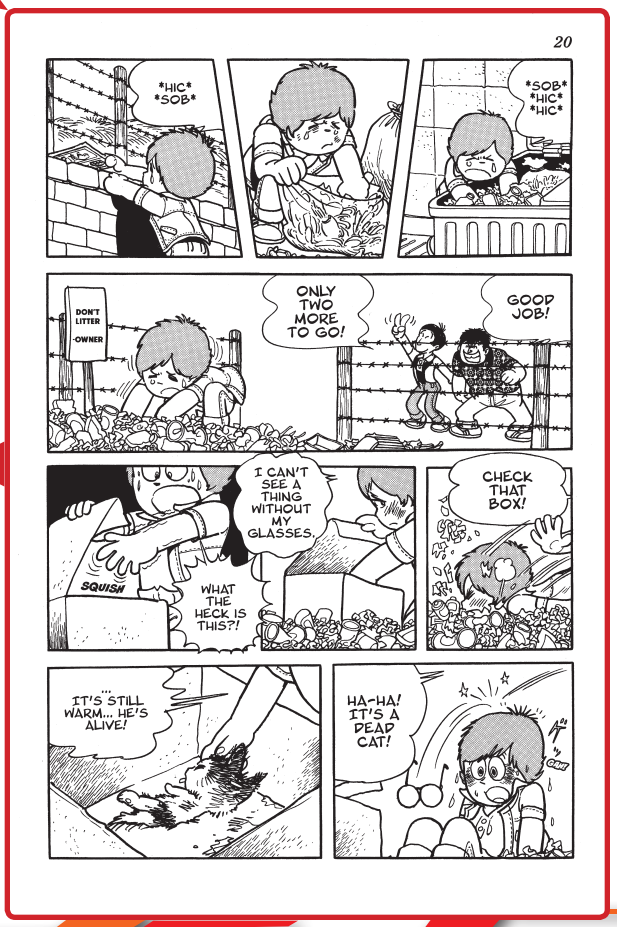
AND LOOK AT THIS FILTHY THING YOU BROUGHT HOME! HE'S HALF DEAD!
NO...
YOUR CLOTHES STINK! DID YOU CRAWL INSIDE A TRASH CAN OR SOME-THING?
HE'S CUTE! I'M GONNA KEEP HIM!
HE'LL BE A BIG CAT BEFORE YOU KNOW IT, AND YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO HANDLE IT!
KITTENS DON'T STAY LITTLE FOREVER, YOU KNOW!
I PROMISE I'LL TAKE CARE OF HIM! PLEASE!
UGH, WHAT A HEADACHE.
LOOK, DAD! I NAMED HIM ATOM! SEE? SEE? DOESN'T HE RESEMBLE ATOM?
BAHAHAHA, YEAH, YEAH, LOOKS JUST LIKE HIM!
YOU HAVE TO BE-COME MORE LIKE-ABLE!!
THAT'S ONE TAC-TIC.
I KNOW. WE'LL GET DAD'S OKAY FIRST.



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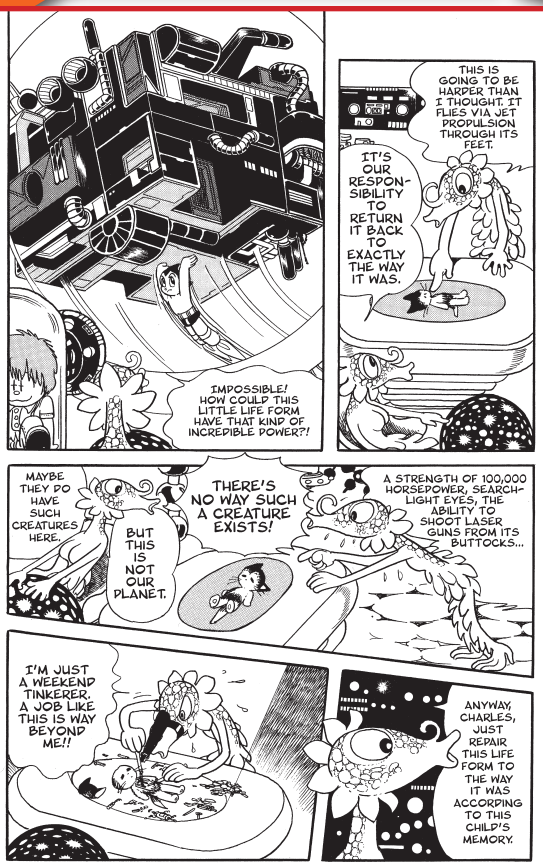
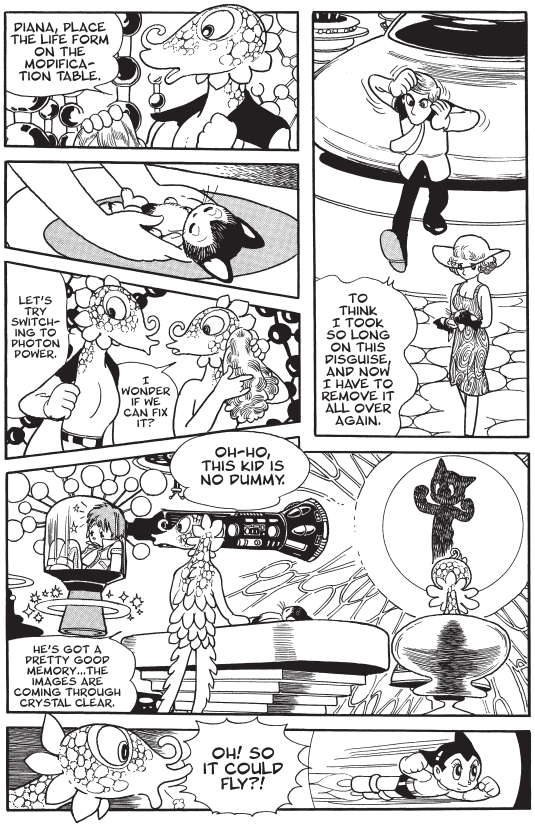

IMPOSSIBLE! HOW COULD THIS LITTLE LIFE FORM HAVE THAT KIND OF INCREDIBLE POWER?!
THIS IS GOING TO BE HARDER THAN I THOUGHT. IT FLIES VIA JET PROPULSION THROUGH ITS FEET.
IT'S OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO RETURN IT BACK TO EXACTLY THE WAY IT WAS.
MAYBE THEY DO HAVE SUCH CREATURES HERE.
BUT THIS IS NOT OUR PLANET.
THERE'S NO WAY SUCH A CREATURE EXISTS!
A STRENGTH OF 100,000 HORSEPOWER, SEARCH-LIGHT EYES, THE ABILITY TO SHOOT LASER GUNS FROM ITS BUTTOCKS...
I'M JUST A WEEKEND TINKERER. A JOB LIKE THIS IS WAY BEYOND ME!!
ANYWAY, CHARLES, JUST REPAIR THIS LIFE FORM TO THE WAY IT WAS ACCORDING TO THIS CHILD'S MEMORY.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DIANA, PLACE THE LIFE FORM ON THE MODIFICATION TABLE.
LET'S TRY SWITCHING TO PHOTON POWER.
I WONDER IF WE CAN FIX IT?
TO THINK I TOOK SO LONG ON THIS DISGUISE, AND NOW I HAVE TO REMOVE IT ALL OVER AGAIN.
OH-HO, THIS KID IS NO DUMMY.
HE'S GOT A PRETTY GOOD MEMORY...THE IMAGES ARE COMING THROUGH CRYSTAL CLEAR.
OH! SO IT COULD FLY?!

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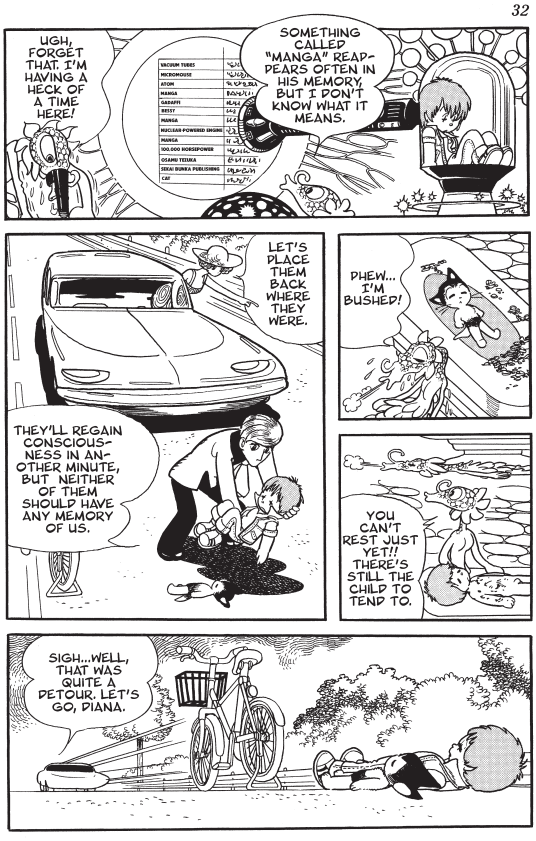
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UGH, FORGET THAT. I'M HAVING A HECK OF A TIME HERE!
SOMETHING CALLED "MANGA" REAPPEARS OFTEN IN HIS MEMORY, BUT I DON'T KNOW WHAT IT MEANS.
LET'S PLACE THEM BACK WHERE THEY WERE.
PHEW... I'M BUSHED!
THEY'LL REGAIN CONSCIOUSNESS IN ANOTHER MINUTE, BUT NEITHER OF THEM SHOULD HAVE ANY MEMORY OF US.
YOU CAN'T REST JUST YET!! THERE'S STILL THE CHILD TO TEND TO.
SIGH...WELL, THAT WAS QUITE A DETOUR. LET'S GO, DIANA.

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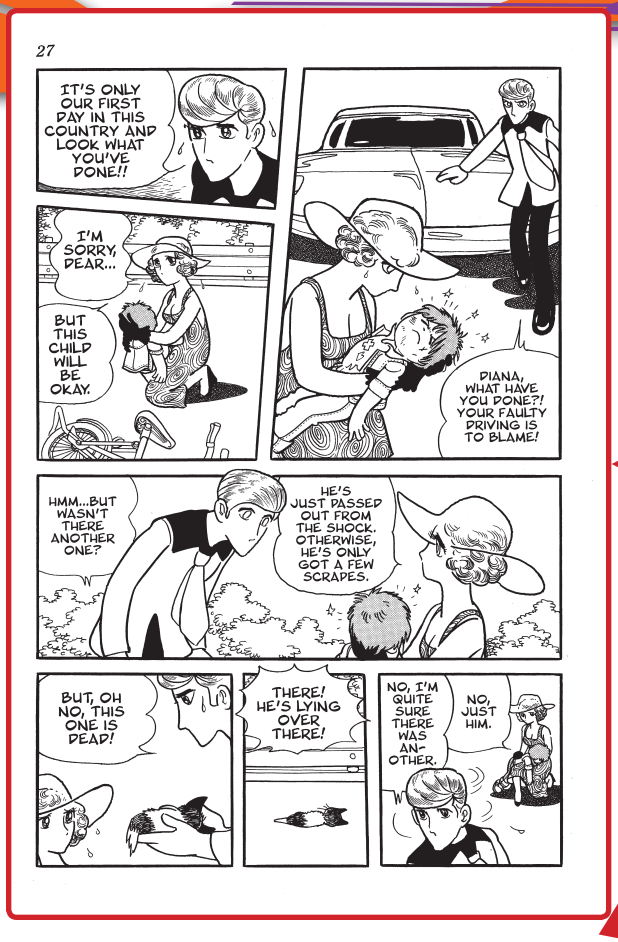
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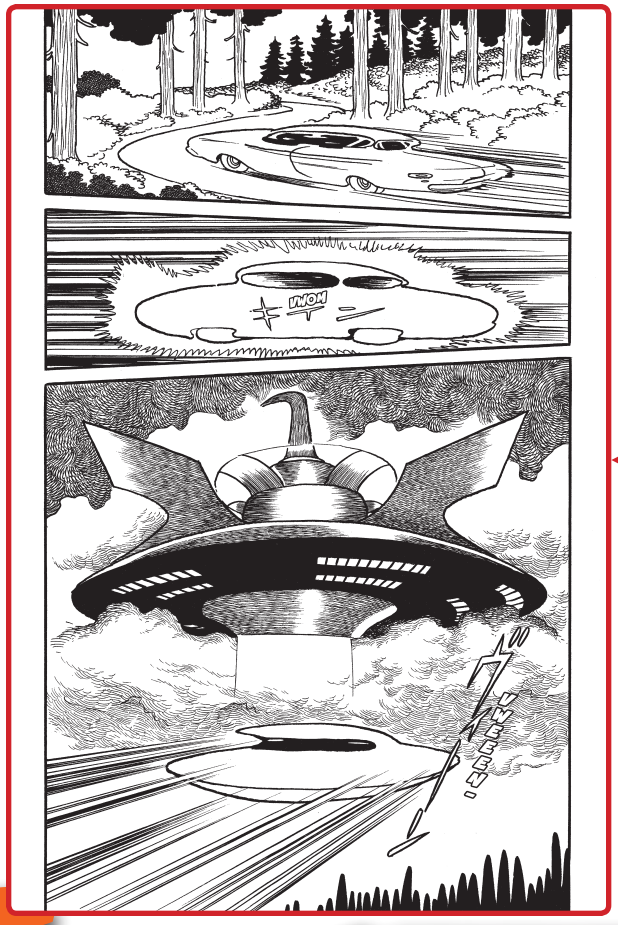
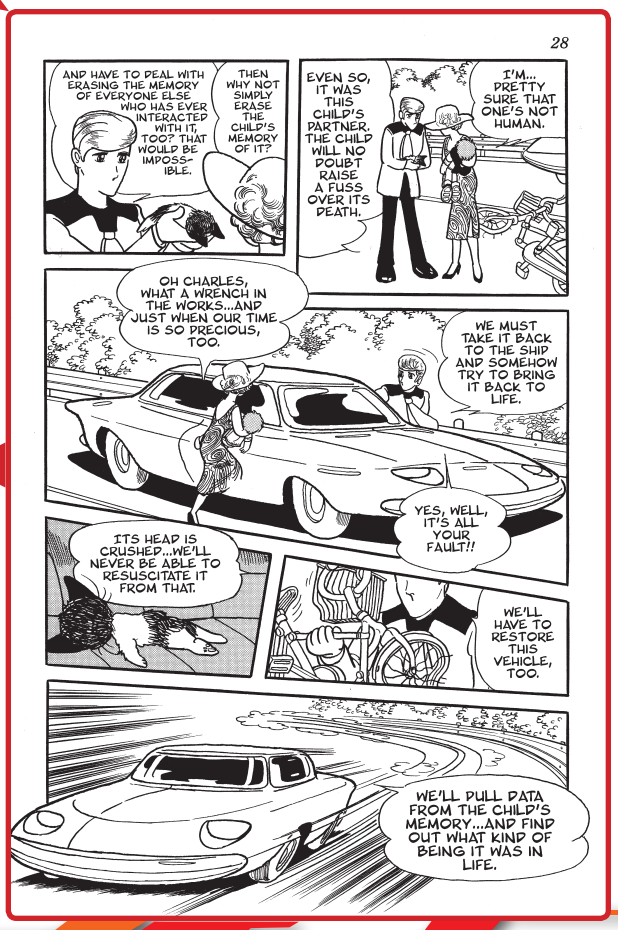
IT'S ONLY OUR FIRST DAY IN THIS COUNTRY AND LOOK WHAT YOU'VE DONE!!
I'M SORRY, DEAR...
BUT THIS CHILD WILL BE OKAY.
DIANA, WHAT HAVE YOU DONE?! YOUR FAULTY DRIVING IS TO BLAME!
HMM...BUT WASN'T THERE ANOTHER ONE?
HE'S JUST PASSED OUT FROM THE SHOCK. OTHERWISE, HE'S ONLY GOT A FEW SCRAPES.
BUT, OH NO, THIS ONE IS DEAD!
THERE! HE'S LYING OVER THERE!
NO, I'M QUITE SURE THERE WAS AN-OTHER.
NO, JUST HIM.

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AND HAVE TO DEAL WITH ERASING THE MEMORY OF EVERYONE ELSE WHO HAS EVER INTERACTED WITH IT, TOO? THAT WOULD BE IMPOSS-IBLE.
THEN WHY NOT SIMPLY ERASE THE CHILD'S MEMORY OF IT?
EVEN SO, IT WAS THIS CHILD'S PARTNER. THE CHILD WILL NO DOUBT RAISE A FUSS OVER ITS DEATH.
I'M... PRETTY SURE THAT ONE'S NOT HUMAN.
OH CHARLES, WHAT A WRENCH IN THE WORKS...AND JUST WHEN OUR TIME IS SO PRECIOUS, TOO.
WE MUST TAKE IT BACK TO THE SHIP AND SOMEHOW TRY TO BRING IT BACK TO LIFE.
YES, WELL, IT'S ALL YOUR FAULT!!
ITS HEAD IS CRUSHED...WE'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO RESUSCITATE IT FROM THAT.
WE'LL HAVE TO RESTORE THIS VEHICLE, TOO.
WE'LL PULL DATA FROM THE CHILD'S MEMORY...AND FIND OUT WHAT KIND OF BEING IT WAS IN LIFE.

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New Domestic Anime Film Eyeing Chinese Adults

Hopes are high that homegrown animation *Kuiba 2* can find a cartoon industry holy grail and resonate with adults as well as kids when it is released nationwide on Friday, a day before International Children's Day.

The second instalment in a five-part series produced by Vassoon Animation, *Kuiba 2* has been made to try to help anime pull away from most adults' perception of the genre as puerile nonsense. It has a plot centering around a figure named Manji who struggles to be a hero but must fight his inner demon. This demon is Kuiba, a destructive force reborn every 333 years to annihilate the world.

"I've watched a few animations, but this time I was deeply touched by the story's spirit of selfesteem and responsibility, which are great assets for both adults and children," said Xu Xiaoping, the 47-year-old co-founder of private education company New Oriental, after watching an early release of the film on Wednesday.

The film not only centers on inspiring themes of fighting to the last but also explores the fatherson relationship and comments on realities, according to Xu.

Wang Chuan, director of the film and CEO of Vasson Animation, China's oldest private animation company after being founded in 1993, called the film a tryout to break with the nation's stereotypical teenager-riveted animations. The animator pointed out that big-screen cartoons are created for diverse age groups in other parts of the world, as some Disney blockbusters successfully appeal to the whole family while adults are the main market for Japan's animation giants.

However, China's animation industry, although fledgling thanks to a series of governmental preferential policies, primarily focuses on the teen and children's market, Wang said. ❖ Xinhua

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